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This document details the features and use of the Integrated Reports & Information System (IRIS).

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1 Introduction

IRIS - Integrated Reports and Information System

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Welcome to IRIS!

We are pleased to present this software to aid you in your Human Services Agency.

A great deal of effort and consideration of your needs has gone into this program - and into this guide. Please let us know how it helps in your day-to-day case management, where you see improvements could be made, or any other comments you may have.

IRIS support is available by either telephone or email and is offered at no cost to your organization.

Please make sure that you contact the correct support for your state.

Victoria

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1.1 What is IRIS

IRIS stands for Integrated Reports and Information System.

IRIS is a software tool developed for funded agencies to use for the collection and electronic reporting of data to the Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS). IRIS provides the following functionality:

- Client details.
- Simple case management tools for both DHHS funded and privately funded (if desired) casework.
- Client and case notes
- Integrated reporting tools
- Group management
- Project Tracking to record community development and community education project work.
- Automatic data transfer to DHHS

The development of IRIS is on going and new functionality will be provided as it is developed.

IRIS was originally designed to conform with the Children Youth & Families Division's (CYF) Information Management Strategy. The strategy is directed, across time, to placing, as appropriate, the entire range of CYF data collections on a consistent conceptual framework using consistently defined data items and collection of data on a case unit record basis.

The past few years has seen IRIS being used in other Departments and States which has meant that it must also comply with the data requirements from these clients.

IRIS has been carefully designed so that new service programs can be incorporated easily and speedily.

IRIS currently collects data for the following program areas:
- Problem Gambling (Gambler's Help)
- Financial Counseling
- Family Services
- Early Childhood Intervention Services EI/SCS
- ECIS Flexible Support Packages
- Indigenous In-Home Support
- MCH Enhanced Home Visiting Service
- Pre School Field Officer (PSFO)
- Sexual Assault Service (SAS)
- Family Violence
- Literacy, Numeracy & Special Learning Needs (LNSLN)
- Forgotten Australians
- Parenting Assessment & Skills Development Service (PASDS)
- General (Brief)
- Cradle to Kinder (C2K)
- Early Parenting Centers (EPC)

Agencies can tailor IRIS to record client and case management information for cases funded by sources other than DHHS.

IRIS reports electronically DHHS data collection requirements as a fully automatic push button by-product of recording the client and case details agencies need for their purposes.

In accordance with the provisions of the Information Privacy Act 2000 the software de-identifies the data sent to DHHS.

IRIS primarily consists of the IRIS computer program and IRIS database. Great care has been taken to ensure that IRIS will not interfere with any other Windows based software (including MS Office and Internet Explorer). IRIS will not cause any corruption of any other software or any operating system. The software is based on Borland Delphi and installs into a single directory.

IRIS will run as a standalone system or as a fully networked system.

IRIS is provided free of charge to agencies.

DHHS provides technical support to install IRIS at no charge. The first line service is a telephone help desk.

Security has been carefully designed and agencies can allow staff access to IRIS at any of five security levels.

IRIS provides agencies with a small range of press button reports on their own data.

General Notes

IRIS -
- can be used on computers running Windows Vista/Win7/Win8
- can operate as stand alone, LAN, or WAN
- complies with Y2K requirements
- restricts access to sensitive data based on user's login

This Guide may be opened by pressing the **F1** key, at the top-left of your keyboard, from within **IRIS**.

If you have one of the main forms open in **IRIS**, pressing the **F1** key will open this Guide to the Help topic relevant to the form you have open.

This Guide includes details on all the forms in **IRIS** and links to online resources and contact information for technical support.

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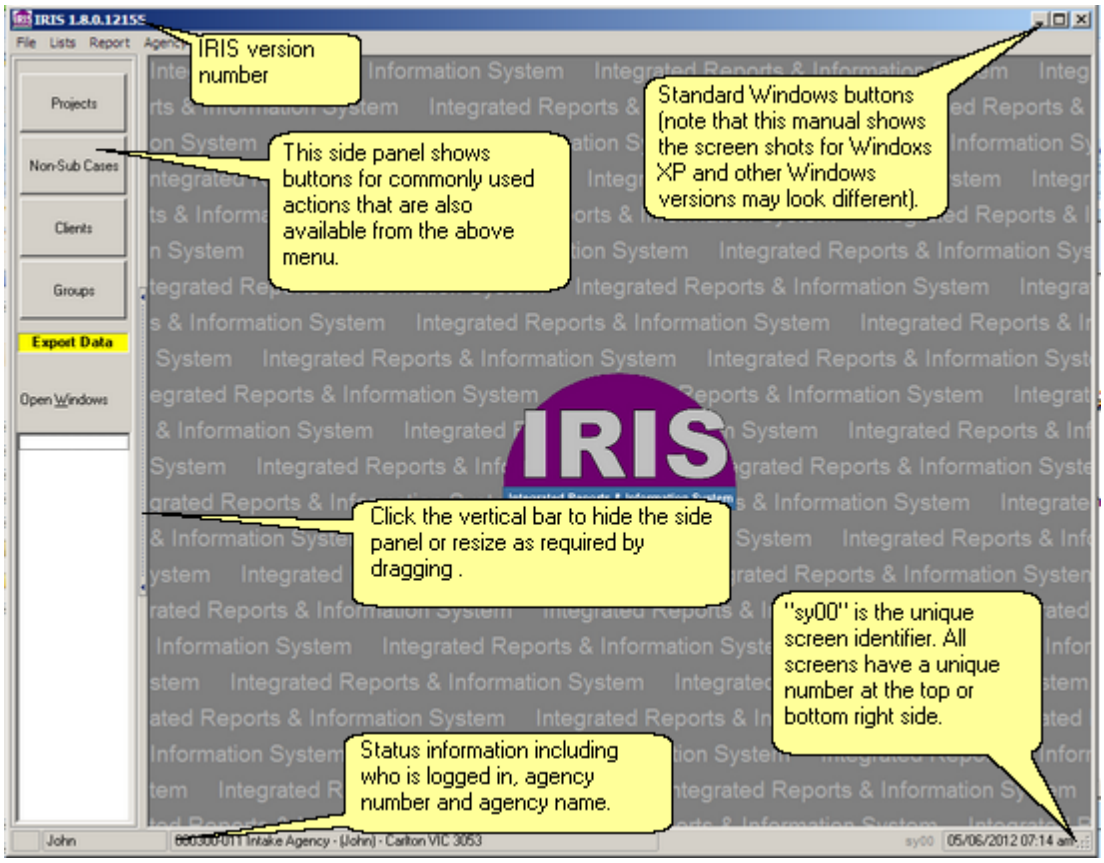
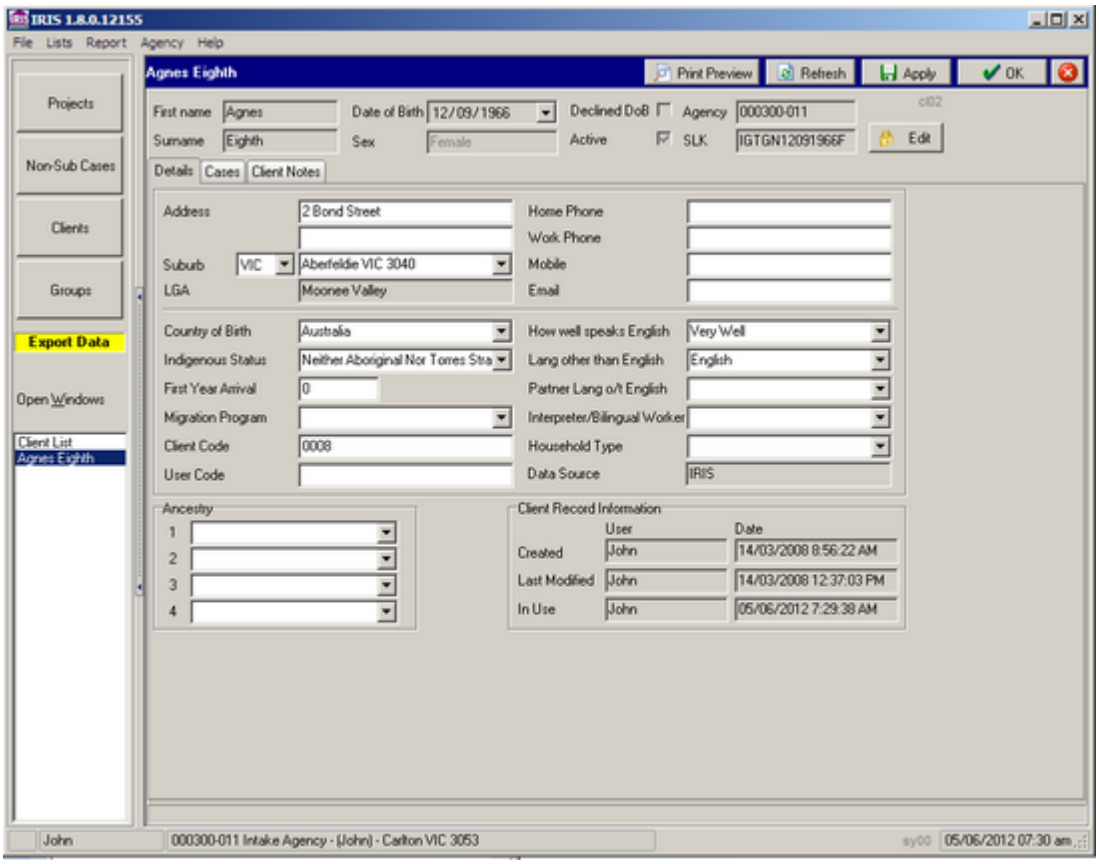
1.2 Navigation

This is the main screen as it would appear immediately after logging in. Note that this manual shows all screen shots using Windows XP and they will appear slightly different for other versions.

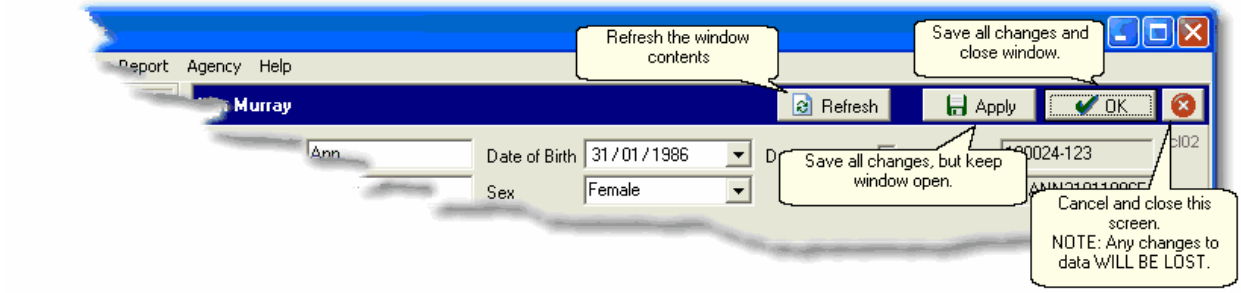

IRIS version number
Standard Windows buttons (note that this manual shows the screen shots for Windoxs XP and other Windows versions may look different).
This side panel shows buttons for commonly used actions that are also available from the above menu.
Click the vertical bar to hide the side panel or resize as required by dragging .
"sy00" is the unique screen identifier. All screens have a unique number at the top or bottom right side.
Status information including who is logged in, agency number and agency name.
File Lists Report
Projects
Non-Sub Cases
Clients
Groups
Export Data
Open Windows
IRIS
John

Note the reference to the screen identifier (eg. **sy00**). As indicated, all screens have their own unique code. **When reporting errors involving screen activity to the Help Desk, this code should always be included. It is of valuable assistance in resolving problems.** For example, if you report problems with the client details screen, your feedback should include the code: **cl02**. A complete list is provided in Screen Identifiers. Reports also have an identifier positioned in the footer.

Let's take a look at a window that has been opened as a result of performing some action, and in particular to the buttons in the top right-hand corner: **Refresh**, **Apply**, **OK** and **Cancel**.



Not all buttons appear on all windows (eg. Client List does not have an **Apply** button). However, what buttons are shown perform the same function. For example, the **OK** button always saves any changes and closes the window.



Quick Reference for Buttons used in IRIS

Button	Function	Screen Location
Refresh	This is used where a search criteria has been changed and the data displayed needs to be refreshed.	On all screens.
Clear Filters	This works in conjunction with the refresh button. Its purpose is to clear the filters to save you having to clear each one that you may have set. Use Refresh to obtain the new data.	The Client list
Apply	Saves the data entered, but does not close the screen.	Staff List, Case Management, Groups and Clients once they have been opened for editing.

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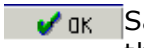
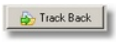
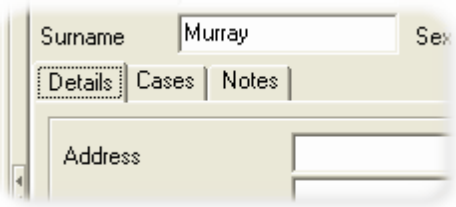
	Saves the data entered and closes the screen.	On all screens.
	This is a Cancel button. Will close the screen without saving.	On all screens.
	Creates a new client, case, staff or group	Agency Case Maintenance, Staff, Non-Substantive Case, Client and Group lists
	Opens document	The Client and Staff list
	Create a new case.	The Cases folder in the Client's Details screen
	Open the case that is selected.	The Cases folder in the Client's Details screen by clicking on the case list.
	Delete a case.	The Cases folder in the Clients Details screen by clicking on the case list.
	Merges the information from one case to another case of the same type. The duplicate case is then deleted automatically. Only administrators can perform this function.	The Cases folder in the Clients Details screen by clicking on the case list, then highlighting the duplicate case.
	Creates a referral for the selected case. The case is added to the owner case (shell).	The Cases folder in the Clients Details screen by clicking on the case list.
	Exports the referral data back to the lead agency.	The Cases folder in the Clients Details screen by clicking on the case list.
	Transfers client data to another agency	The Client list
	A button is ***enabled*** when it can be clicked (or 'pressed').	On all screens.
	A button is ***disabled*** when it appears **dimmed**, and can **not** be clicked or pressed.	On all screens.
	The term **focus** is used to indicate that the item in question is ready to respond to your keyboard. For example, in the case of a text box, the I-beam is the small vertical line to the right of the letter c in this snapshot: So, if the I-beam is flashing in the text box, then the text box has the keyboard's **focus**.	On all screens.

1.3 Using the Keyboard

Common Windows Keyboard Techniques

TAB	Moves to the next field or button. **SHIFT-TAB** is the reverse of **TAB**.
ENTER	An alternative to clicking a button when it has a darker outline (referred to as the **default button**).
ESC	Same as pressing **Cancel** (if present).
SPACE BAR	Pressing the SPACE BAR while focused on a button is the same as clicking the button with the mouse.
ALT+DOWNARROW	Opens a drop-down calendar (on a date field) or drop-down list. This is the same as clicking the small button next to the field with the mouse.
ALT	Access the menu of the current window.
ALT+[key]	Directly access a menu option. For example, **ALT+F = File menu**
CTRL+TAB	Moves through the pages of a Page Control. For example, the partial view of the **Clients Form** below shows the **Details** page with focus:  In this example, the **CTRL+TAB** keys will move throught Details, Cases, Notes pages, then back to the Details page, and so on.

Taking Control of Text Fields

Use the **TAB** key to move from one text field to the next. As you do so, the whole field is highlighted. If you just start typing, the first key you press will delete the previous contents of the field.

However, if you only need to correct a few of the first or last characters, once the field is highlighted, press the **HOME** or **END** key to position the cursor at the start or end of the field.

You can also highlight individual characters by holding the **SHIFT** key while using the arrow

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keys. Holding the **CTRL** key while using the left or right arrow keys moves the cursor a word at a time.

What about the mouse?

If you use the mouse to set the text cursor (I-beam) to a field, you will most often have to delete the contents of the field either by using the **DELETE** or **BACKSPACE** keys to remove the contents. You should only choose to use the mouse when you have to change a few fields at random.

Drop-down List Boxes

Most list boxes have an 'auto-complete' feature that will select the nearest entry as you type. If you reach the required entry, press **TAB** to continue.

Or, you can use the **ALT+DOWNARROW** keys to drop the list down and quickly access the required entry (using the up and down arrows). With the list box open, press ENTER to complete the selection.

Date Fields

Date fields usually include a forward slash (/) to separate the numbers, but you don't enter these slashes.

Just typing the digits will jump from field to field. Although not always required, it is a good idea to enter all digits to ensure the date will be valid.

The plus and minus (+/-) keys change the date a day at a time.

Click the small button next to the field (or use ALT-DOWNARROW) to display a pop-up calendar. From this, you can use the arrow keys to select a date, and quickly change the month using PAGE UP/PAGE DOWN or year using CTRL UP/CTRL DOWN).

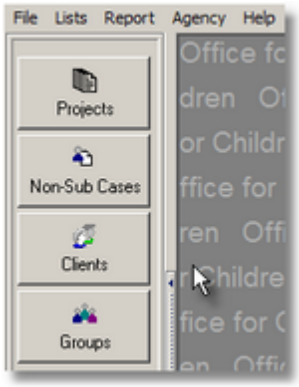
1.4 Licensing Requirements

The software is available free of charge to DHHS business partners and licensing is not required. However when setting up IRIS to collect data, each installation must have a **unique** agency code for data identification purposes. This code is obtained from the IRIS Helpdesk.

Note that if you elect to use a different database to that shipped (Firebird) then you may have to obtain a license for that product; ie. MS SQL Server®. Note also that this version of IRIS uses an updated version of Firebird.

2 Main Window

This section details the **Quick-Access** buttons on the left of the main **IRIS** window. These buttons perform the same action as the options in the List Menu.



Topics on this menu:

- Projects
- Non-Sub Cases
- Clients
- Groups

2.1 Starting IRIS

To start using **IRIS**, do one of the following:

1. Double-click the **IRIS** icon on your desktop
2. Click the **Windows Start** button, move to **Programs > IRIS**, then click the **IRIS** menu item.

If neither of these items are installed on your computer, it is likely that the **IRIS** installation did not fully succeed on this computer. See your Supervisor for assistance.

Once **IRIS** has started, the main screen will appear as shown below. The current version of the software is shown at the top left of the screen. Throughout this manual some screen shots will show seemingly obsolete screens based on the version number. This is not the case and it shows when the screen was last modified.

The centre of the screen displays the login screen ready to sign you on.

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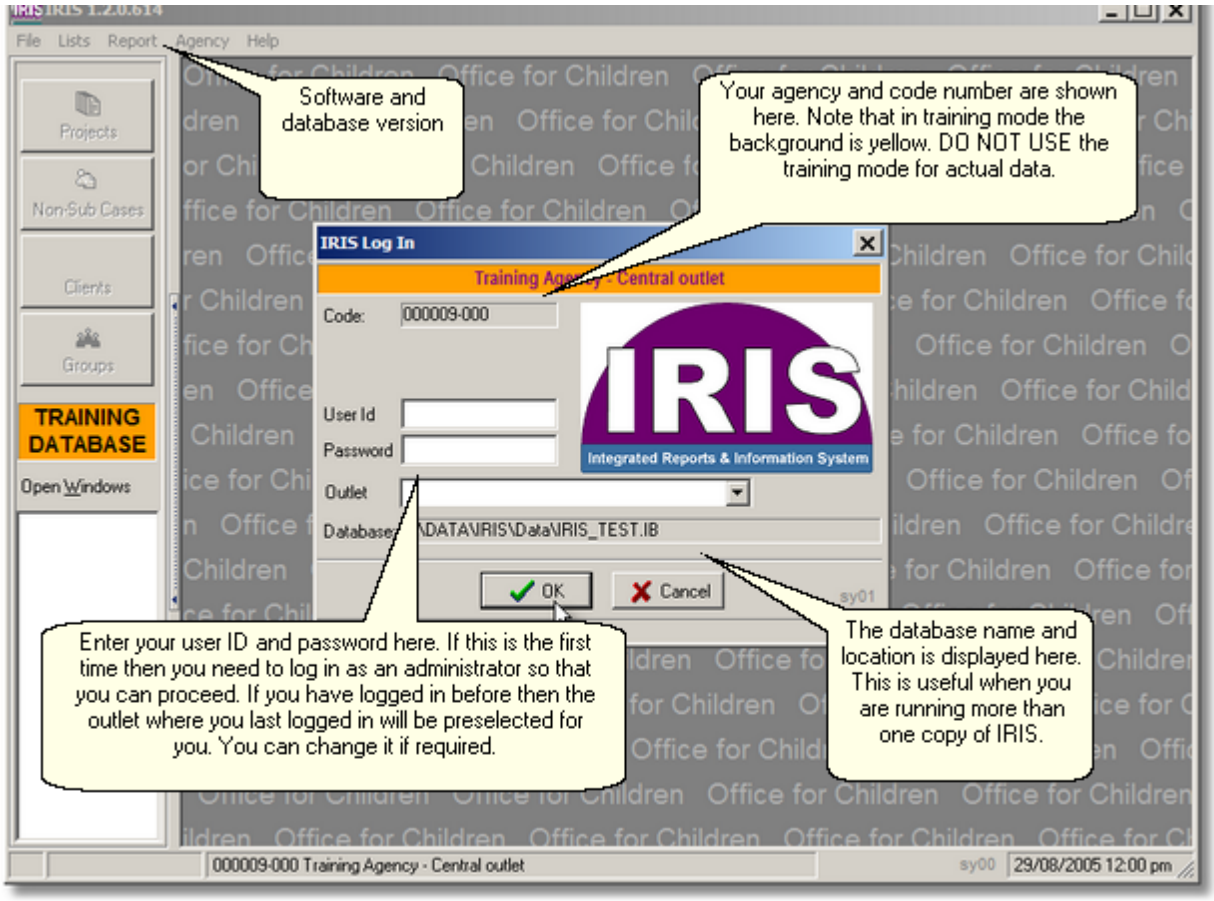
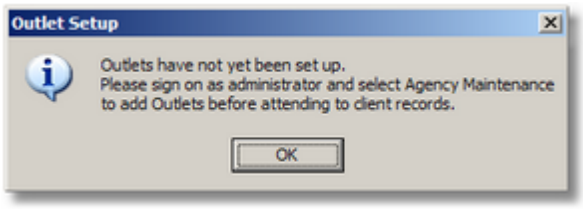

File Lists Report Agency Help
Projects
Non-Sub Cases
Clients
Groups
TRAINING DATABASE
Open Windows
Software and database version
Your agency and code number are shown here. Note that in training mode the background is yellow. DO NOT USE the training mode for actual data.
IRIS Log In
Training Agency - Central outlet
Code: 000009-000
User Id
Password
Outlet
Database \DATA\IRIS\Data\IRIS_TEST.IB
OK
Cancel
IRIS
Integrated Reports & Information System
Enter your user ID and password here. If this is the first time then you need to log in as an administrator so that you can proceed. If you have logged in before then the outlet where you last logged in will be preselected for you. You can change it if required.
The database name and location is displayed here. This is useful when you are running more than one copy of IRIS.
000009-000 Training Agency - Central outlet
29/08/2005 12:00 pm

This version of IRIS requires all outlets to be identified and when IRIS is first started after this upgrade the following screen will be displayed before the above login screen is shown.


Outlet Setup
Outlets have not yet been set up.
Please sign on as administrator and select Agency Maintenance to add Outlets before attending to client records.
OK

2.2 Projects

This button is provided as a shortcut to the **Lists > Projects** menu item.

The projects section allows you to record details about your non client-specific activities.

▸ More information about Projects

2.3 Non-Sub Cases

This button is provided as a shortcut to the **Lists > Non-Sub Cases** menu item.

Non-substantive cases are cases of service to clients that are short (ie. < 2 hours) and no detailed information is recorded about the client or the service provided.

▸ More information about Non-Substantive Cases

2.4 Clients

This button is provided as a shortcut to the **Lists > Clients** menu item.

The clients section allows you to record details about your clients and to attach cases and assign workers to clients. In the case part of the client record you can record not only case details but also related persons, issues, services, case closure and case outcomes.

▸ More information about Clients

2.5 Groups

This button is provided as a shortcut to the **Lists > Groups** menu item.

The groups button allows you to establish groups and record all the services delivered by your agency in group settings. Group service activities are automatically attached to the clients that participate in the group.

▸ More information about Groups

3 Menu Reference

This section provides a detailed reference to all the **IRIS** menu items.

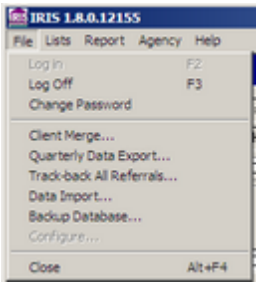
The image below represents the main **IRIS** menu.

Topics on this menu:

- File menu
- Lists menu
- Report menu
- Agency menu
- Help menu

3.1 File Menu

The **File** menu contains:



Topics on this menu:

- Log in
- Log off
- Change Password

- Client Merge
- Quarterly Data Export

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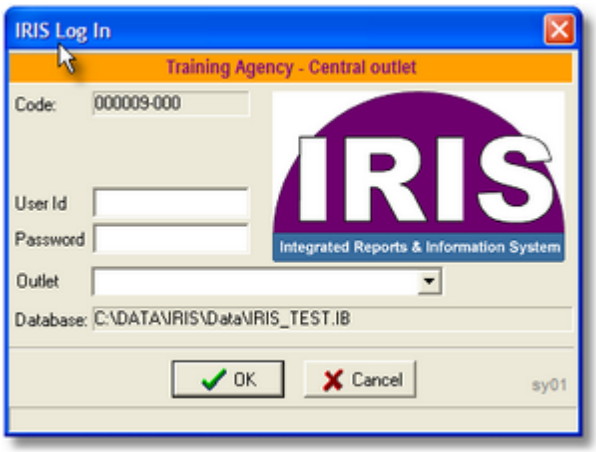
- Track-back All Referrals
- Data Import...
- Backup Database...
- Configure...

- Close

3.1.1 Login

IRIS is security-conscious. You must use a valid login to use this software.

Select **File > Login** (or **F2**) to open the **Login** window (sy01):



1. Enter your **User Id** where indicated. If you have logged in before then the Outlet box will be automatically filled in with the outlet.
2. Press TAB and enter your **Password**.
3. Enter the Outlet as required.
4. Click **OK** to complete the login.

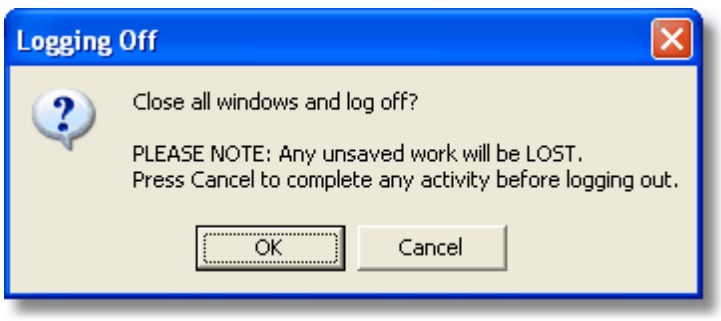
In most cases there will be a user account for each user plus another account at administrator status. You should only log in at administrator level if you intend to perform operations that require administrator status.

⚠ PLEASE NOTE: It is most important that every user logs in with their own **User Id**.

See also
Troubleshooting Your Login

3.1.2 Logoff

When you have finished using **IRIS**, select **File > Log Off** (or **F3**) to end your **IRIS** session. If you have any open windows, you will be asked to confirm whether these should be closed.


Logging Off
Close all windows and log off?
PLEASE NOTE: Any unsaved work will be LOST.
Press Cancel to complete any activity before logging out.
OK
Cancel

While it is safe to continue if you are just browsing information (eg. have a list open), any unsaved changes will be lost. If you are unsure, press **Cancel** and close each window individually.

IRIS will remain open, ready for another Login.

3.1.3 Change Password

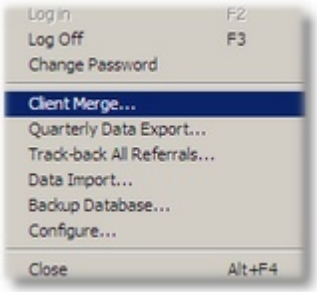
The **File > Change Password** item lets you change your Login Password - that is, the password for the currently logged-in user.

After clicking this option the **Change Password** window (ad07) opens:

1. Enter your **current** Login password in the **Current Password** box.
2. Enter the new password in the **New Password** box.
3. Re-enter the new password in the **Confirm New Password** box.
4. Click the **OK** button to accept your changes, or **Cancel** to keep your previous password.

3.1.4 Client Merge

The **File > Client Merge** item provides the facility to merge clients together. This is useful where a duplicate client has been created and the duplicate is to be removed but the data, such as casework is still required.



Selecting the above menu option will start the client merging process.

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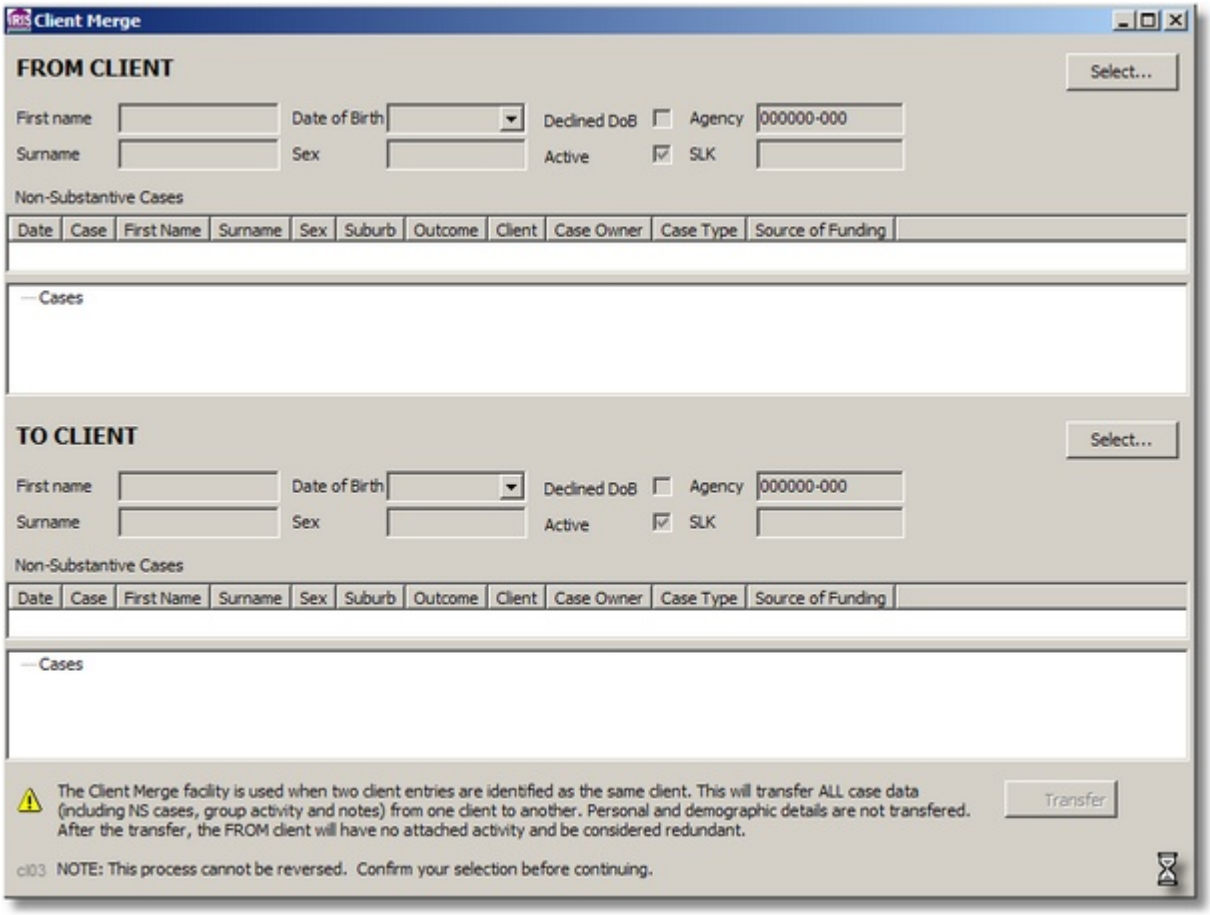


When the duplicate casework, group activity and NSCs have been transferred to the correct client, the unwanted client may be deleted. Note that the merge cannot be undone.

Note:

1. Clients can only be deleted when there is no connection to other data. For example, a client cannot be deleted if it references a case.
2. The Client Merge operation cannot be undone.

3.1.5 Quarterly Data Export

This is the facility your agency will use to report to Department of Human Services as well as other agencies as selected by your agency. The data includes tracked referral cases.

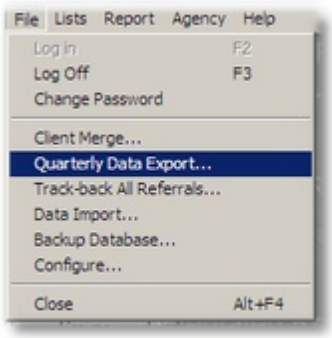
Note: You must be logged in as an IRIS Supervisor or higher (eg; Administrator) to use this feature.

The **Quarterly Data Export** tool is used to transfer data to both DHHS and other agencies as setup in the Case Maintenance options (Case Type Maintenance). Note that the data may consist of agency created data as well as referred (tracked) data. This process does not update the referral shells in the Lead agency, this is done with the Track-back_All_Referrals menu option.

In version 1_8 and on the Quarterly Data Export also includes the option to send further data back to DHHS. The data contains information on how large your database is. This data is required by DHHS so that future upgrades on IRIS can take into account possible performance issues for large databases. The option can be disabled by the user.

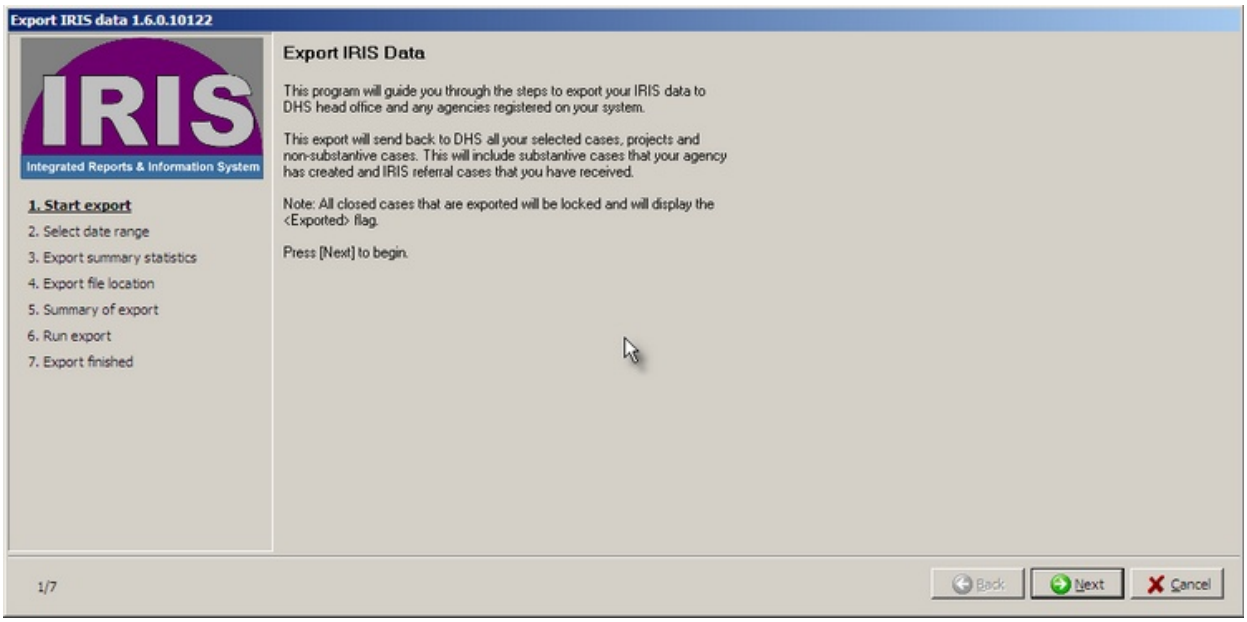
Note that ALL of the data is de identified.

The quarterly export tool is normally run through IRIS as shown below:



The data export screen sequence is shown below

The first screen provides useful information on what the program will be doing.


Export IRIS data 1.6.0.10122
IRIS
Integrated Reports & Information System
1. Start export
2. Select date range
3. Export summary statistics
4. Export file location
5. Summary of export
6. Run export
7. Export finished
Export IRIS Data
This program will guide you through the steps to export your IRIS data to DHS head office and any agencies registered on your system.
This export will send back to DHS all your selected cases, projects and non-substantive cases. This will include substantive cases that your agency has created and IRIS referral cases that you have received.
Note: All closed cases that are exported will be locked and will display the <Exported> flag.
Press [Next] to begin.
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Back
Next
Cancel

Selecting **Next** will display the second screen. This screen is used to select what date range is to be used. In most cases the default (Rolling 6 months) option is used.

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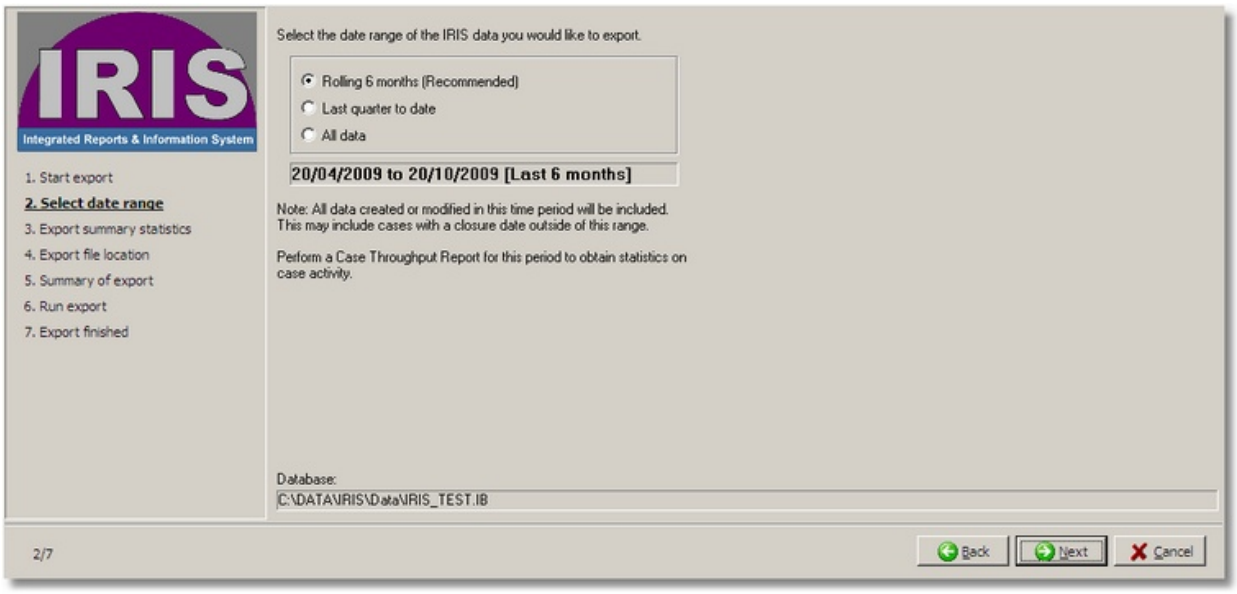
Integrated Reports & Information System
1. Start export
2. Select date range
3. Export summary statistics
4. Export file location
5. Summary of export
6. Run export
7. Export finished
Select the date range of the IRIS data you would like to export.
Rolling 6 months (Recommended)
Last quarter to date
All data
20/04/2009 to 20/10/2009 [Last 6 months]
Note: All data created or modified in this time period will be included.
This may include cases with a closure date outside of this range.
Perform a Case Throughput Report for this period to obtain statistics on case activity.
Database:
C:\DATA\IRIS\Data\IRIS_TEST.IB
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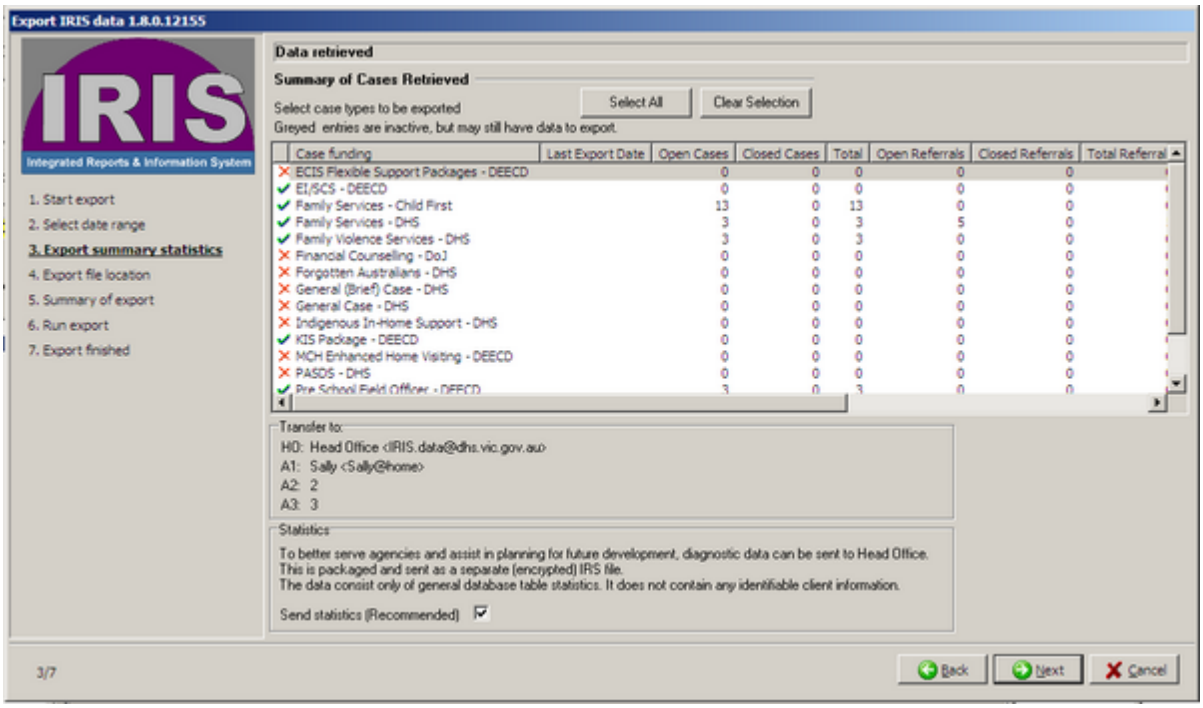
Back
Next
Cancel

Selecting **Next** will display the third screen. This screen summarizes what data will be exported. The summary includes

- Cases (Agency created)
- Cases (Referred from another agency)
- Projects, and
- Non substantive cases.

The check boxes on the left allow for selection of individual case types. Note that from version 1_8 there is an option to send database statistics as well.


Export IRIS data 1.8.0.12155
Integrated Reports & Information System
1. Start export
2. Select date range
3. Export summary statistics
4. Export file location
5. Summary of export
6. Run export
7. Export finished
Data retrieved
Summary of Cases Retrieved
Select case types to be exported
Greyed entries are inactive, but may still have data to export.
Select All
Clear Selection
Case funding
Last Export Date
Open Cases
Closed Cases
Total
Open Referrals
Closed Referrals
Total Referral
ECIS Flexible Support Packages - DEECD
EI/SCS - DEECD
Family Services - Child First
Family Services - DHS
Family Violence Services - DHS
Financial Counselling - DoJ
Forgotten Australians - DHS
General (Brief) Case - DHS
General Case - DHS
Indigenous In-Home Support - DHS
KIS Package - DEECD
MCH Enhanced Home Visiting - DEECD
PASDS - DHS
Transfer to:
H0: Head Office <IRIS.data@dhs.vic.gov.au>
A1: Sally <Sally@home>
A2: 2
A3: 3
Statistics
To better serve agencies and assist in planning for future development, diagnostic data can be sent to Head Office.
This is packaged and sent as a separate (encrypted) IRIS file.
The data consist only of general database table statistics. It does not contain any identifiable client information.
Send statistics (Recommended)
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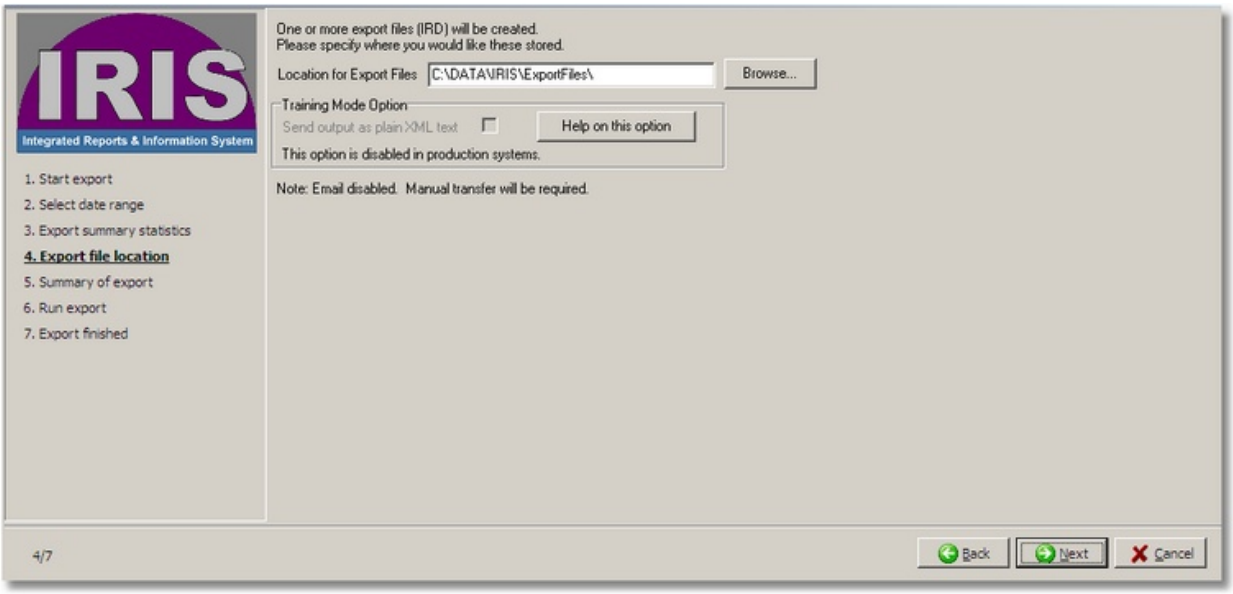
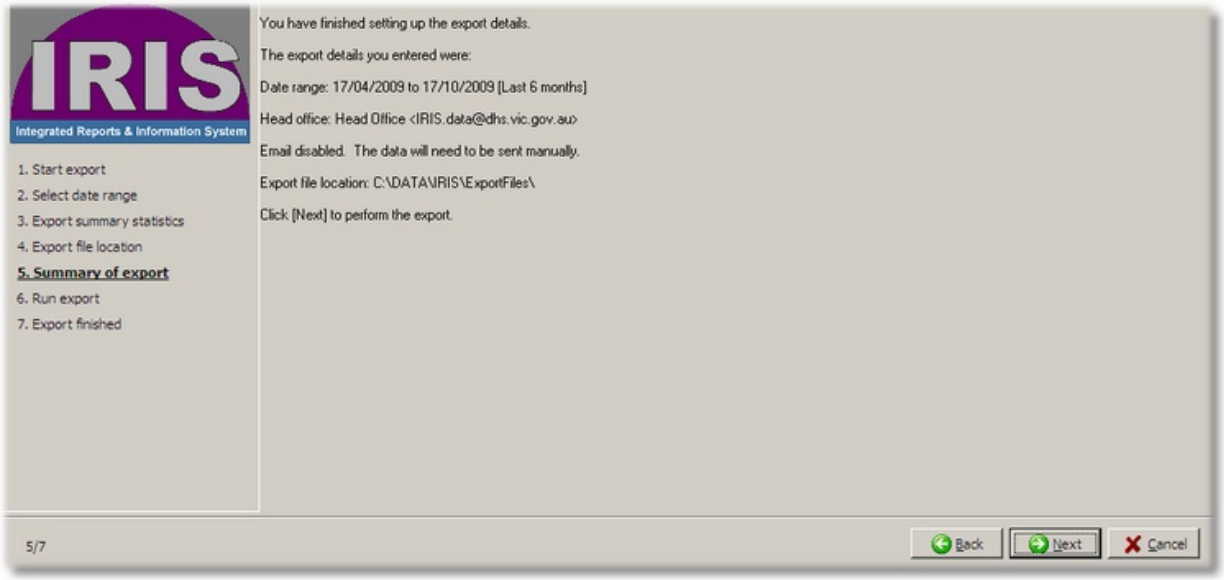
Back
Next
Cancel

Selecting **Next** will display the fourth screen. This screen summarizes where a copy of the exported data files will be stored.

The data is normally encrypted but if the training mode is being used by a software developer there is an option that allows the data to be saved unencrypted.



Selecting **Next** will display the fifth screen. This screen summarizes what actions are to be initiated with the options selected previously.


IRIS
Integrated Reports & Information System
1. Start export
2. Select date range
3. Export summary statistics
4. Export file location
5. Summary of export
6. Run export
7. Export finished
You have finished setting up the export details.
The export details you entered were:
Date range: 17/04/2009 to 17/10/2009 [Last 6 months]
Head office: Head Office <IRIS.data@dhs.vic.gov.au>
Email disabled. The data will need to be sent manually.
Export file location: C:\DATA\IRIS\ExportFiles\
Click [Next] to perform the export.
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Next
Cancel

The final two screens provide feedback on the export file creation process.

A detailed description of referrals is located in the section Subcontracting and Referrals

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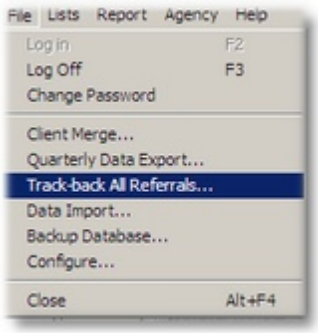
3.1.6 Track-back All Referrals

This selection is used to send referral data that has been set to be tracked back to the referring (lead) agency between IRIS systems.

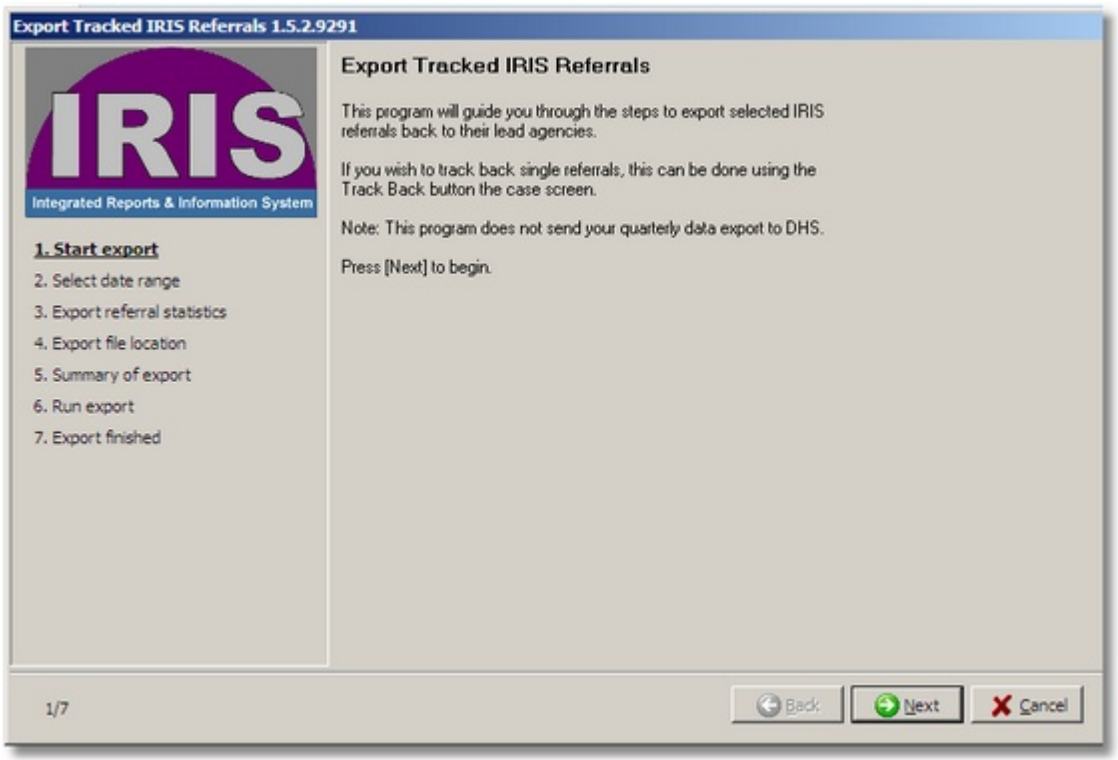


Note:
1. The data is de-identified and encrypted for privacy and security.
2. You must be logged in as an IRIS Supervisor or higher (eg; Administrator) to use this feature.

The referral tool is run either from the main menu as shown above, or directly (Managing Client Information) from the individual case. The main menu option will send all referrals whilst the direct option sends only the selected case. The two options are shown below:

The data export screen sequence is shown below

The first screen provides useful information on what the program will be doing.


Export Tracked IRIS Referrals 1.5.2.9291
IRIS
Integrated Reports & Information System
1. Start export
2. Select date range
3. Export referral statistics
4. Export file location
5. Summary of export
6. Run export
7. Export finished
Export Tracked IRIS Referrals
This program will guide you through the steps to export selected IRIS referrals back to their lead agencies.
If you wish to track back single referrals, this can be done using the Track Back button the case screen.
Note: This program does not send your quarterly data export to DHS.
Press [Next] to begin.
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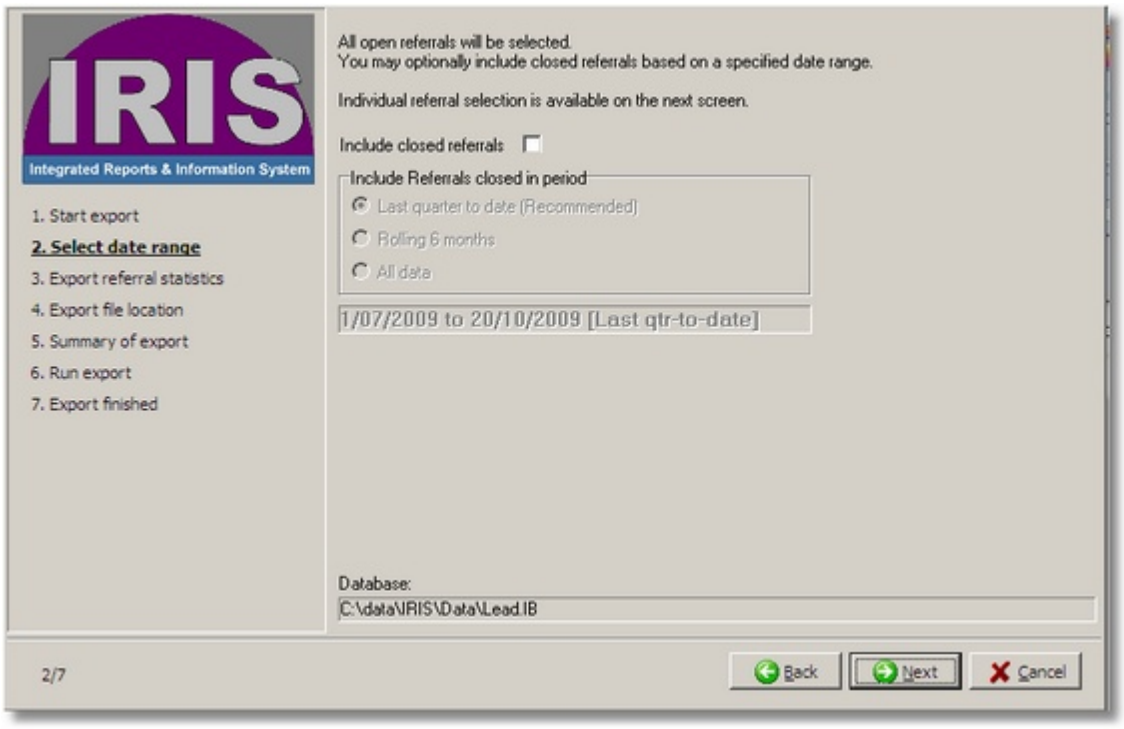
Back
Next
Cancel

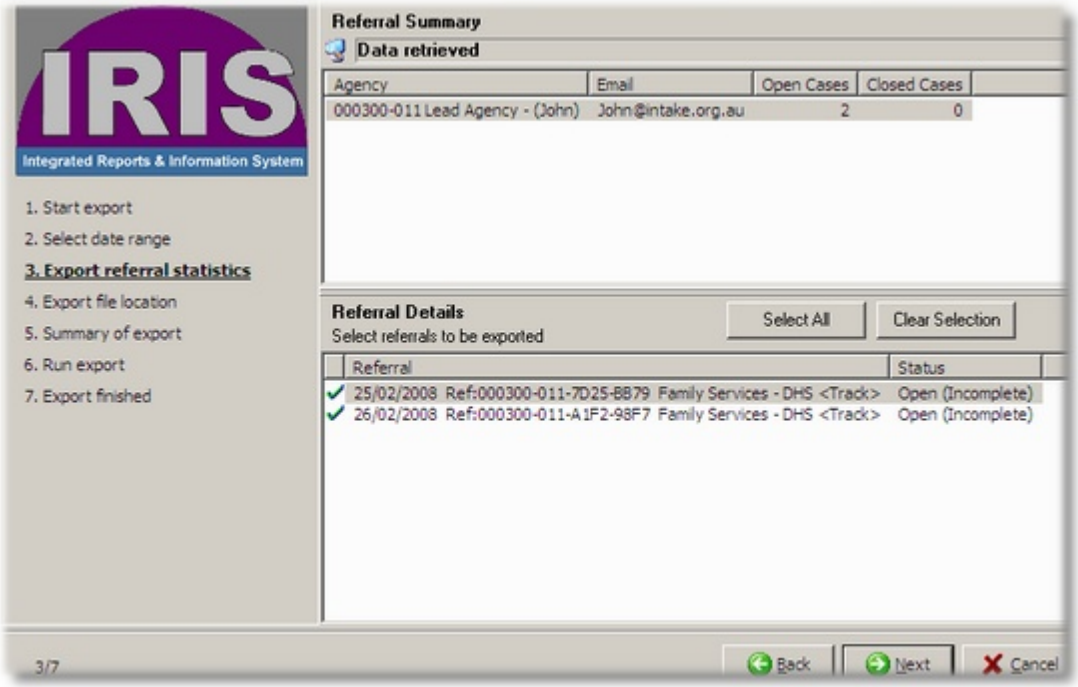
Selecting **Next** will display the second screen. This screen is used to select what date range is to be used. In most cases the default (Rolling 6 months) option is used. The exporter normally sends open cases only, checking the option box will include closed cases.



Selecting **Next** will display the third screen. This screen summarizes what data will be exported. The summary includes

- Tracked Cases (Referred from another agency)

The check boxes on the left allow for selection of individual case types.



Selecting **Next** will display the fourth screen. This screen summarizes where a copy of the exported data files will be stored.

The data is normally encrypted but if the training mode is being used by a software developer there is an option that allows the data to be saved unencrypted.

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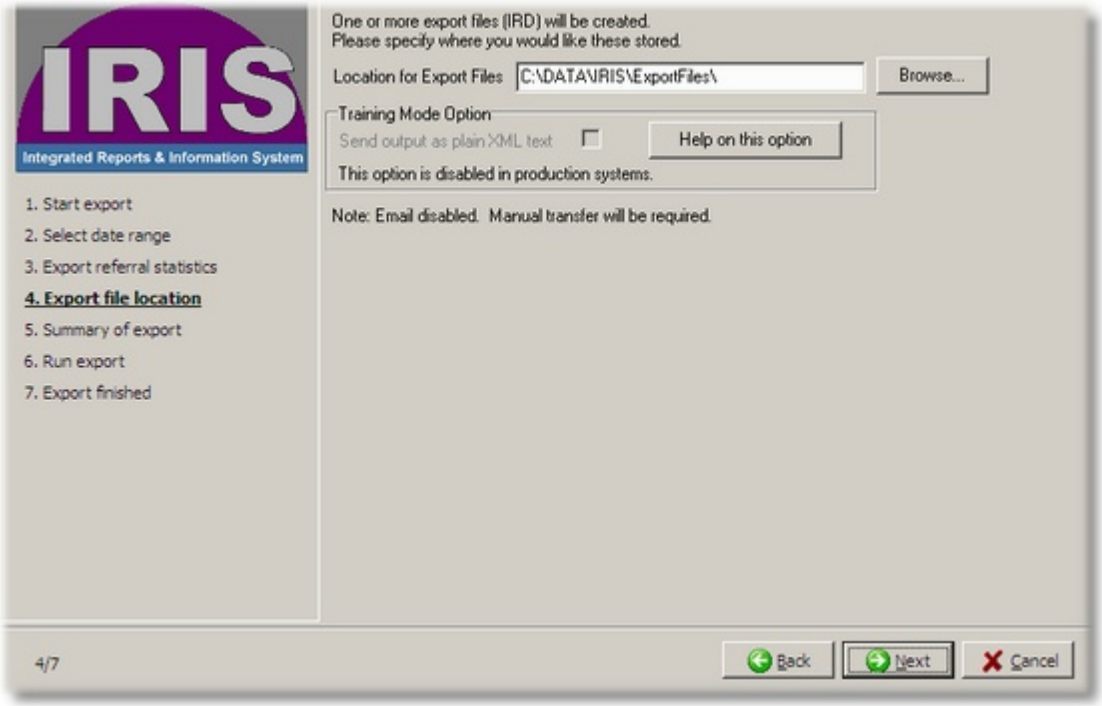
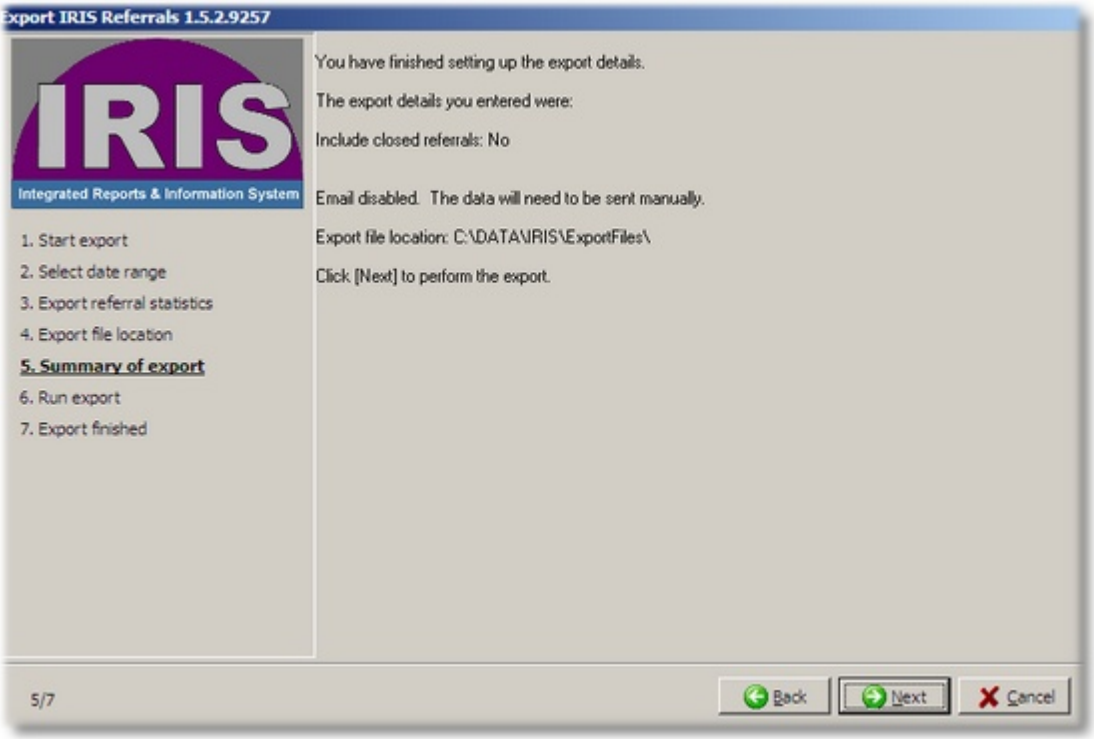


Selecting **Next** will display the fifth screen. This screen summarizes what actions are to be initiated with the options selected previously.

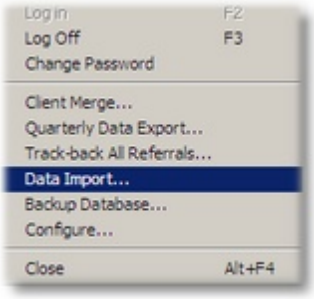


The final two screens provide feedback on the export file creation process.

A detailed description of referrals is located in the section Subcontracting and Referrals

3.1.7 Data Import

This selection is used to add data, including referrals to this **IRIS** system.

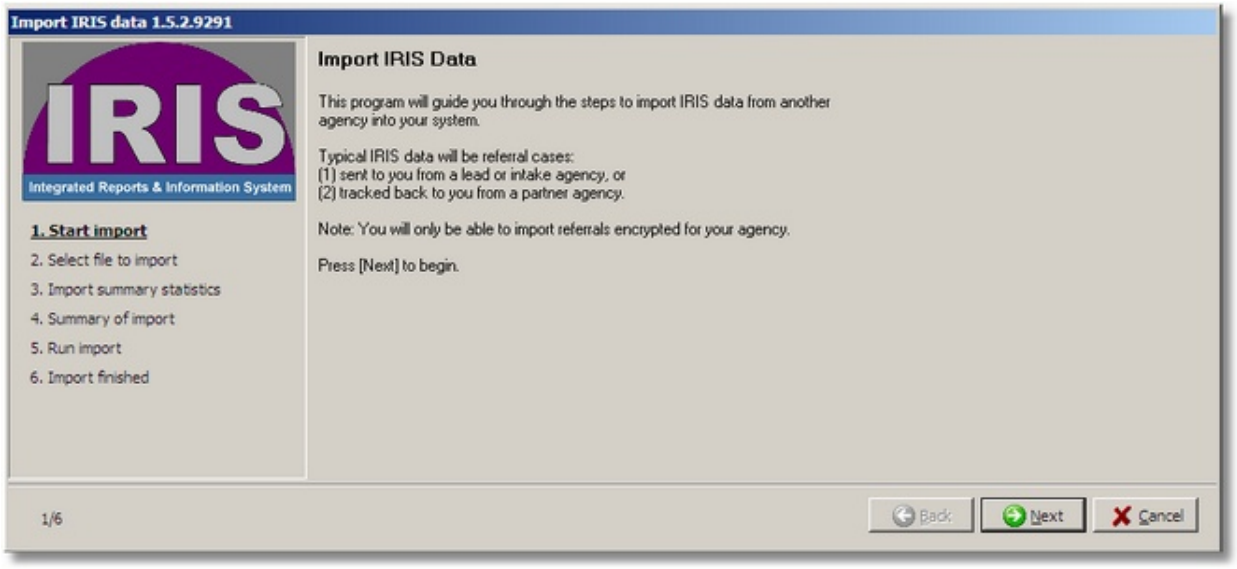


For example, to consolidate data from all outlets of an agency at the head office of the agency. It will also be used by Department of Human Services to capture data reports from agencies.

Note: You must be logged in as an **IRIS** Supervisor to use this feature.

The import tool is always run through IRIS.

The import screen is shown below.


Import IRIS data 1.5.2.9291
IRIS
Integrated Reports & Information System
1. Start import
2. Select file to import
3. Import summary statistics
4. Summary of import
5. Run import
6. Import finished
Import IRIS Data
This program will guide you through the steps to import IRIS data from another agency into your system.
Typical IRIS data will be referral cases:
(1) sent to you from a lead or intake agency, or
(2) tracked back to you from a partner agency.
Note: You will only be able to import referrals encrypted for your agency.
Press [Next] to begin.
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Cancel

The next screen is used to select which file to import. You will need to use the browse button to locate and select the required file.

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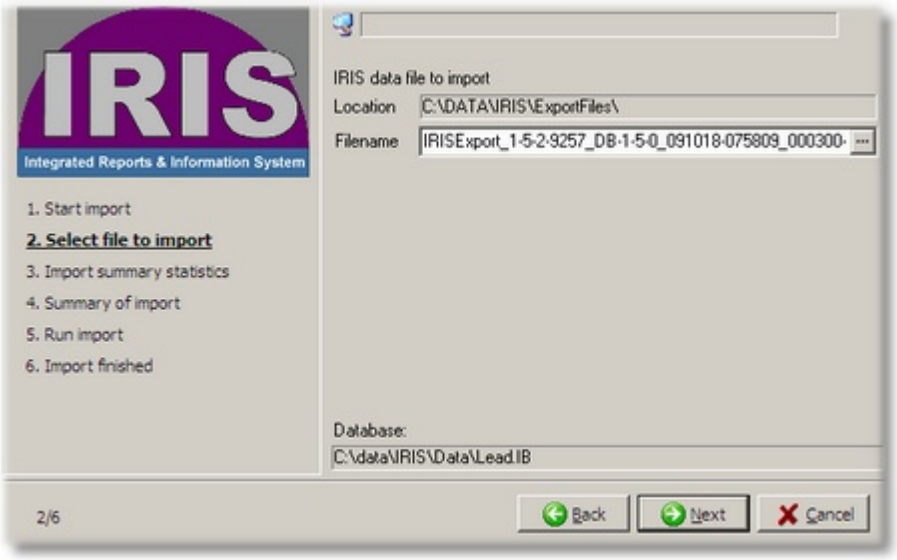
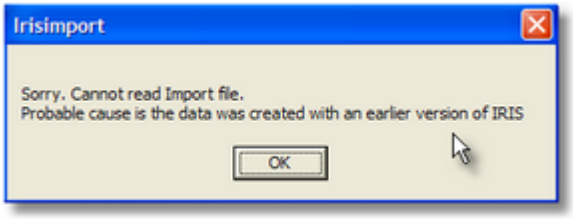
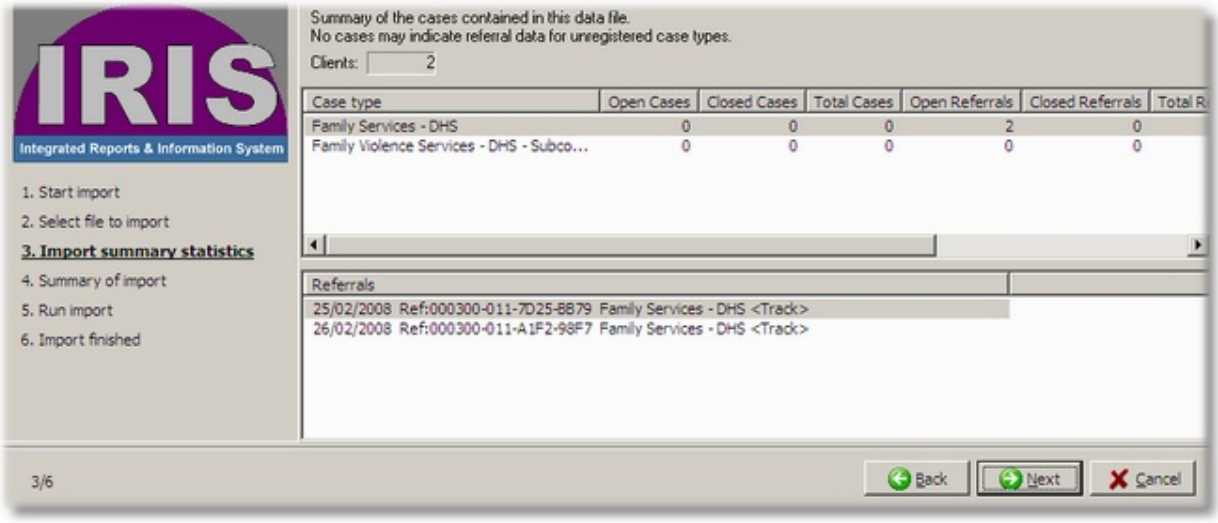


If the following screen is displayed then it is most likely due to a version mismatch between the source and the destination system.



The third screen will summarize the incoming data. The top panel shows the total data content that will be imported. The lower screen shows the referral data that will be imported.


IRIS
Integrated Reports & Information System
1. Start import
2. Select file to import
3. Import summary statistics
4. Summary of import
5. Run import
6. Import finished
Summary of the cases contained in this data file.
No cases may indicate referral data for unregistered case types.
Clients: 2
Case type | Open Cases | Closed Cases | Total Cases | Open Referrals | Closed Referrals
Family Services - DHS 0 0 0 2 0
Family Violence Services - DHS - Subco... 0 0 0 0 0
Referrals
25/02/2008 Ref:000300-011-7D25-8B79 Family Services - DHS <Track>
26/02/2008 Ref:000300-011-A1F2-98F7 Family Services - DHS <Track>
3/6
Back
Next
Cancel

Pressing **Next** will bring up the fourth screen which summarizes the actions about to be done.

The final screens (not shown) show the import status when proceeding with the import.

A detailed description of referrals is located in the section Subcontracting and Referrals.

3.1.8 Backup Database

To use the **Backup** feature, click the **Backup Database** item on the **File** menu.
(This feature may also be started from the **Windows Start** menu by browsing to **Programs > IRIS > IRIS Backup**.)

Notes:
1. This feature is available only to systems using the default Firebird database.
2. You must be an IRIS Supervisor or higher (eg; Administrator) to use this feature.
3. Although a backup may be done at any time, it is preferable to perform this when all users are logged out.

For more information see Backup.

3.1.9 Configure

This selection is used to configure IRIS and would be run when converting the training version of IRIS to the full operational system. The utility uses a key code supplied by DHHS that does the following for you:

1. Sets up IRIS with its correct DHHS agency code
2. Disables existing DHHS funded case types and adds the DHHS cases applicable for your agency.

Note: You must be an IRIS Administrator to use this feature.

Refer to Configure for details.

3.1.10 Close

Select **File > Close** to close **IRIS**. Although you don't need to Log Off first, it is good practice to log out before closing any database application.

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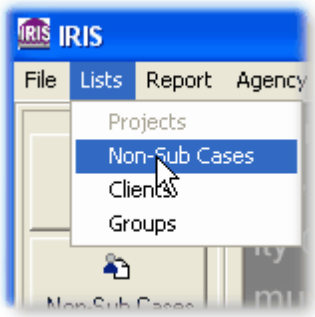
3.2 Lists Menu

The **Lists** menu contains:



Topics on this menu:

- Projects
- Non-Sub Cases
- Clients
- Groups

3.2.1 Projects

The **Project** button allows you to establish a project to record the work your agency does that does not involve working with individual or groups of registered clients. This project work is variously described as community education, community development, community support or community participation but is not restricted to these descriptions.

Some examples of project work brought to the attention of DHHS include:

- Staff member gives a talk to students at a local school;
- Staff member gives a presentation at a local community meeting held after hours;
- Agency participates in and provides its facilities for community fund-raising following a natural disaster; and
- Staff member participates in a community committee to plan for establishment of a new community-based service in the local area.

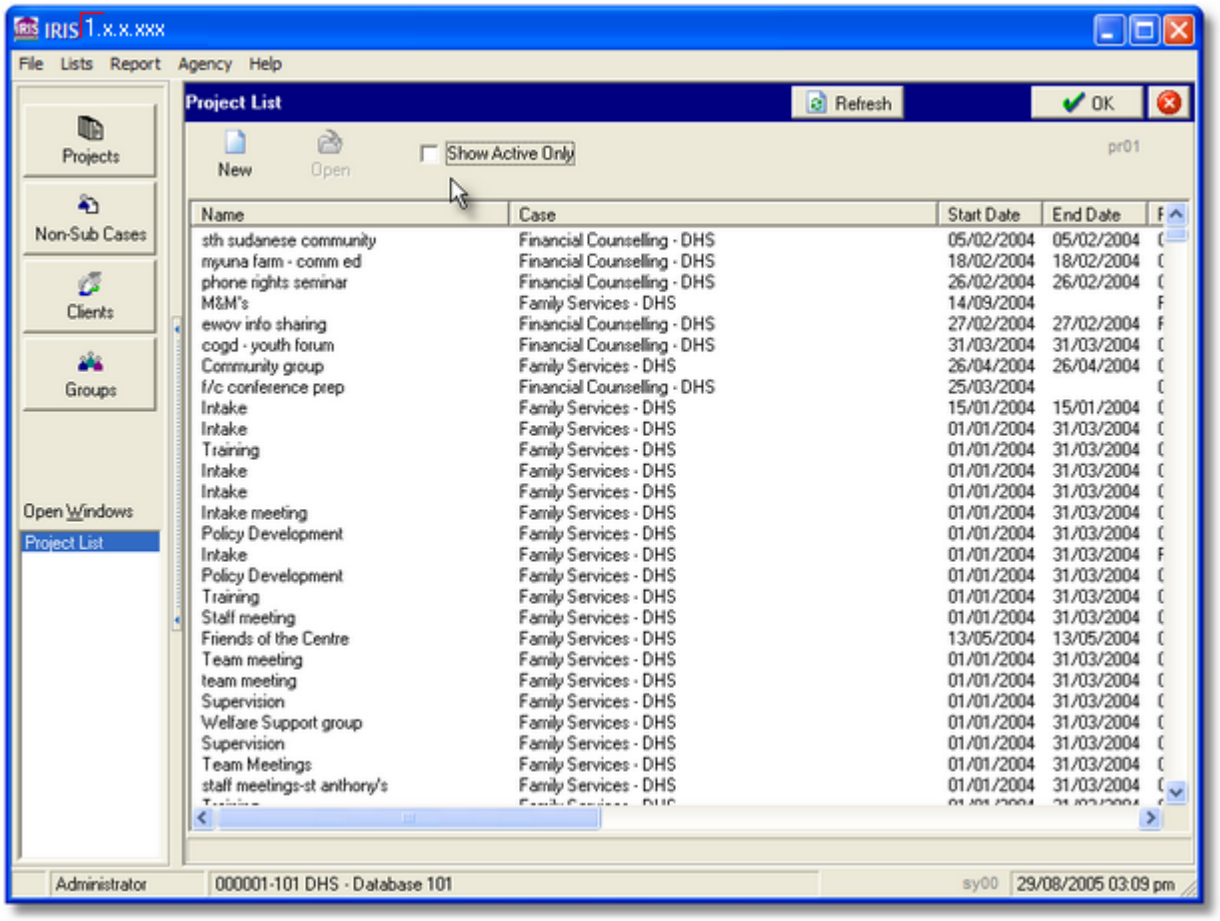
The Project function has been designed with great flexibility. It is a powerful tool that agencies can use for any type of work it does outside the scope of its service to registered clients.

Adding a New Project
Adding Activities

3.2.1.1 Adding a New Project

Access to the **Projects** screen, can be made by either by clicking on the **Projects** button from the left panel menu or from the main menu by clicking on **Lists** to display the drop down list, and then selecting **Projects**. The **Projects List** will be empty when you first start to use **IRIS**. The following screen will be displayed.

Note that the checkbox "Show Active Only" will limit the projects displayed depending on whether they have been marked as "inactive".


IRIS 1.x.x.xxx
File Lists Report Agency Help
Project List
Refresh
OK
Projects
Non-Sub Cases
Clients
Groups
New
Open
Show Active Only
pr01
Open Windows
Project List
Name
Case
Start Date
End Date
sth sudanese community Financial Counselling - DHS 05/02/2004 05/02/2004
myuna farm - comm ed Financial Counselling - DHS 18/02/2004 18/02/2004
phone rights seminar Financial Counselling - DHS 26/02/2004 26/02/2004
M&M's Family Services - DHS 14/09/2004
ewov info sharing Financial Counselling - DHS 27/02/2004 27/02/2004
cogd - youth forum Financial Counselling - DHS 31/03/2004 31/03/2004
Community group Family Services - DHS 26/04/2004 26/04/2004
f/c conference prep Financial Counselling - DHS 25/03/2004
Intake Family Services - DHS 15/01/2004 15/01/2004
Intake Family Services - DHS 01/01/2004 31/03/2004
Training Family Services - DHS 01/01/2004 31/03/2004
Intake Family Services - DHS 01/01/2004 31/03/2004
Intake Family Services - DHS 01/01/2004 31/03/2004
Intake meeting Family Services - DHS 01/01/2004 31/03/2004
Policy Development Family Services - DHS 01/01/2004 31/03/2004
Intake Family Services - DHS 01/01/2004 31/03/2004
Policy Development Family Services - DHS 01/01/2004 31/03/2004
Training Family Services - DHS 01/01/2004 31/03/2004
Staff meeting Family Services - DHS 01/01/2004 31/03/2004
Friends of the Centre Family Services - DHS 13/05/2004 13/05/2004
Team meeting Family Services - DHS 01/01/2004 31/03/2004
team meeting Family Services - DHS 01/01/2004 31/03/2004
Supervision Family Services - DHS 01/01/2004 31/03/2004
Welfare Support group Family Services - DHS 01/01/2004 31/03/2004
Supervision Family Services - DHS 01/01/2004 31/03/2004
Team Meetings Family Services - DHS 01/01/2004 31/03/2004
staff meetings-st anthony's Family Services - DHS 01/01/2004 31/03/2004
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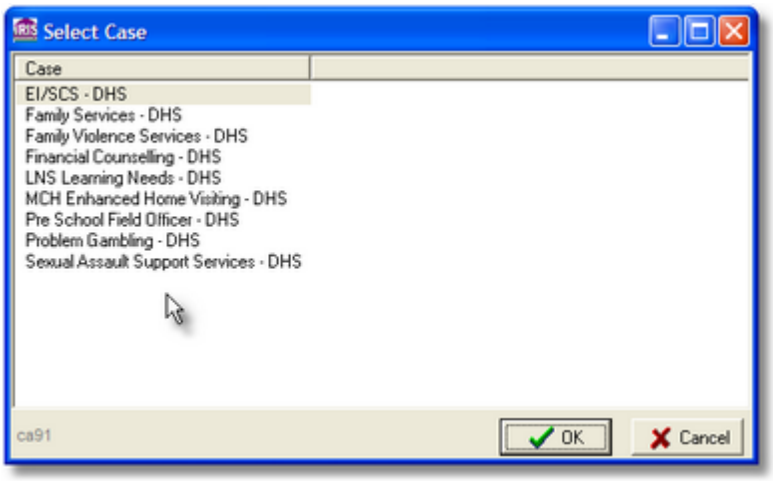
Click on the **New** button. The following **Select Case** dialogue box will be displayed.



Select the case type and click on the **OK** button.

Note: You should not use DHHS funded case types if the projects to be created are not funded by DHHS. For further information see CaseTypeMaintenance . An administrator can change the source of funding with the "Edit" button.

The following **New Project** screen is displayed. Type in the name of the project in the **Name** field. Click on the **Apply** button to save. Note the name of the project must be saved before you record any activities or notes.

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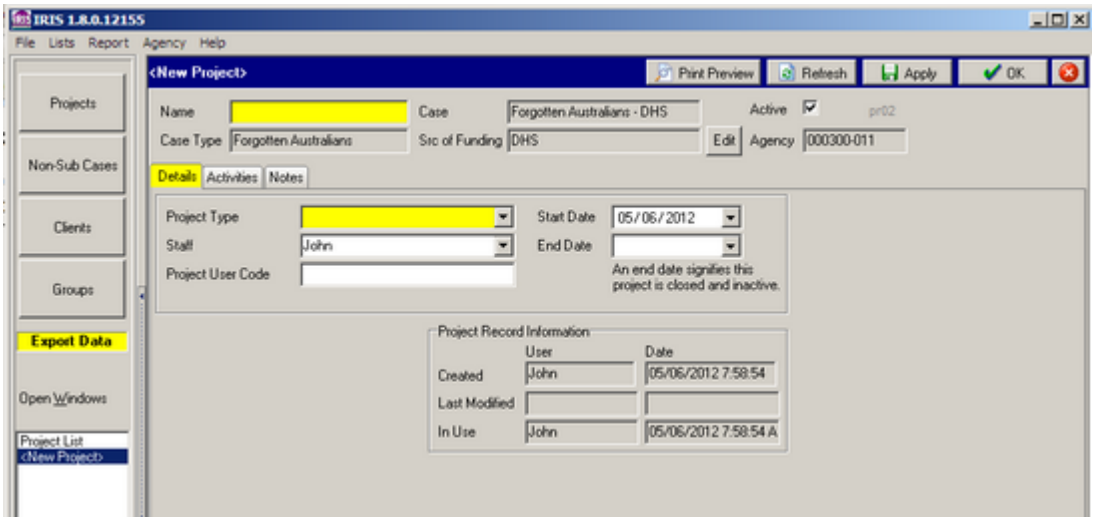


The three tabs, located below the **Name** field contain the details of the project, activities of the project and any notes you would like to record. The tab that is active will be displayed in blue, e.g. The Details tab displayed below is active. Note that the tab is yellow which indicates that mandatory data is not entered.

The **Project Type** field has a drop down list of all the types of projects available. Click on the downward arrow to display the list and select the appropriate one.

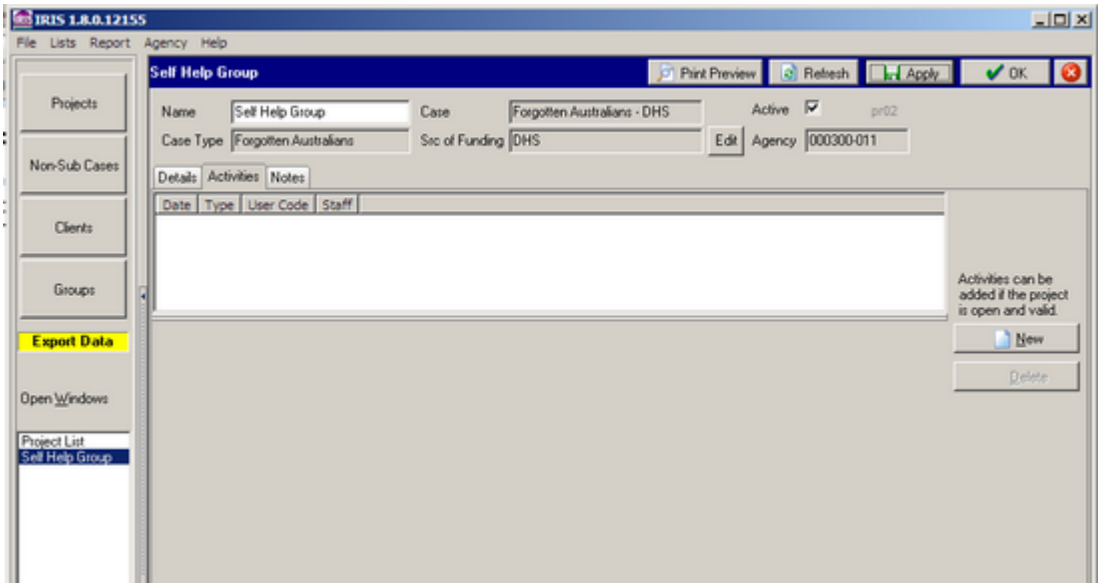
The **User Code** field is for your own use.

The **Start Date** field automatically defaults to the date the project was created. To change the start date, click on the downward arrow to bring up the calendar and select the appropriate date.

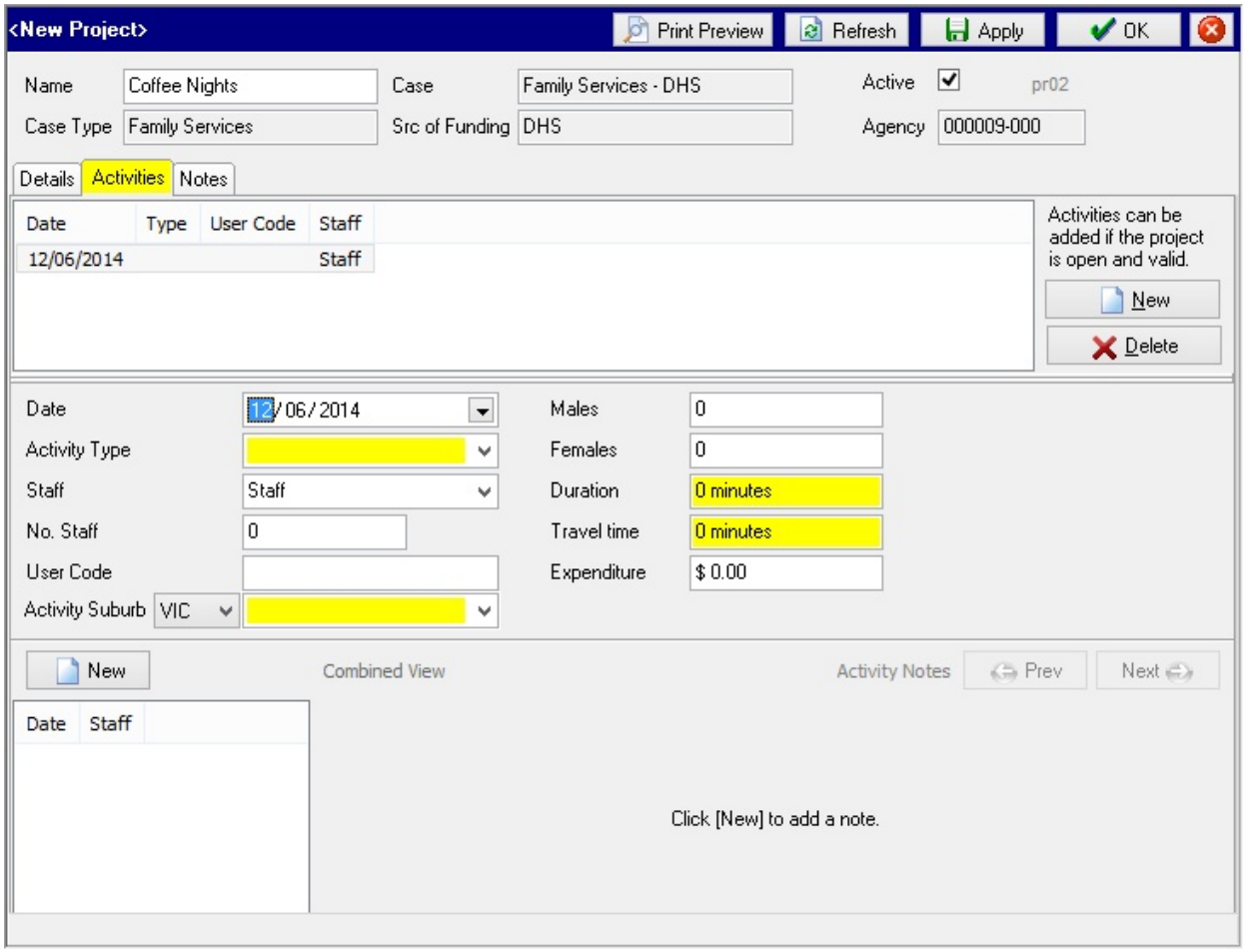
The **End Date** field is not mandatory and can be left blank until the project has been completed.

3.2.1.2 Adding Activities

To record the activities of your project, click on the **Activities** tab to display the screen below and then the **New** button to create the activity.



The following screen will then be displayed. Note the mandatory fields.



The **Date** field automatically defaults to the date the activity was created. To change the date, click on the downward arrow to bring up the calendar and select the appropriate date.

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The **Activity Type** field has a drop down list of all the types of activities available. Click on the downward arrow to display the list and select the appropriate activity.

Information can be recorded on:
- The number of staff members involved in the activity;
- The number of males or females who attended;
- The time spent to do the activity;
- Travel time; and
- Expenditure incurred.

The **Activity Suburb** is the location where the service is delivered. In most instances it will be the same as the Outlet suburb. Note that the suburb list can be filtered by State if desired.

Activity notes may be entered in the section at the bottom of the form. Further information is available in the section Using Notes.

Adding Notes to a Project
Click on the **Notes** tab to display the notes screen. Further information is available in the section Using Notes

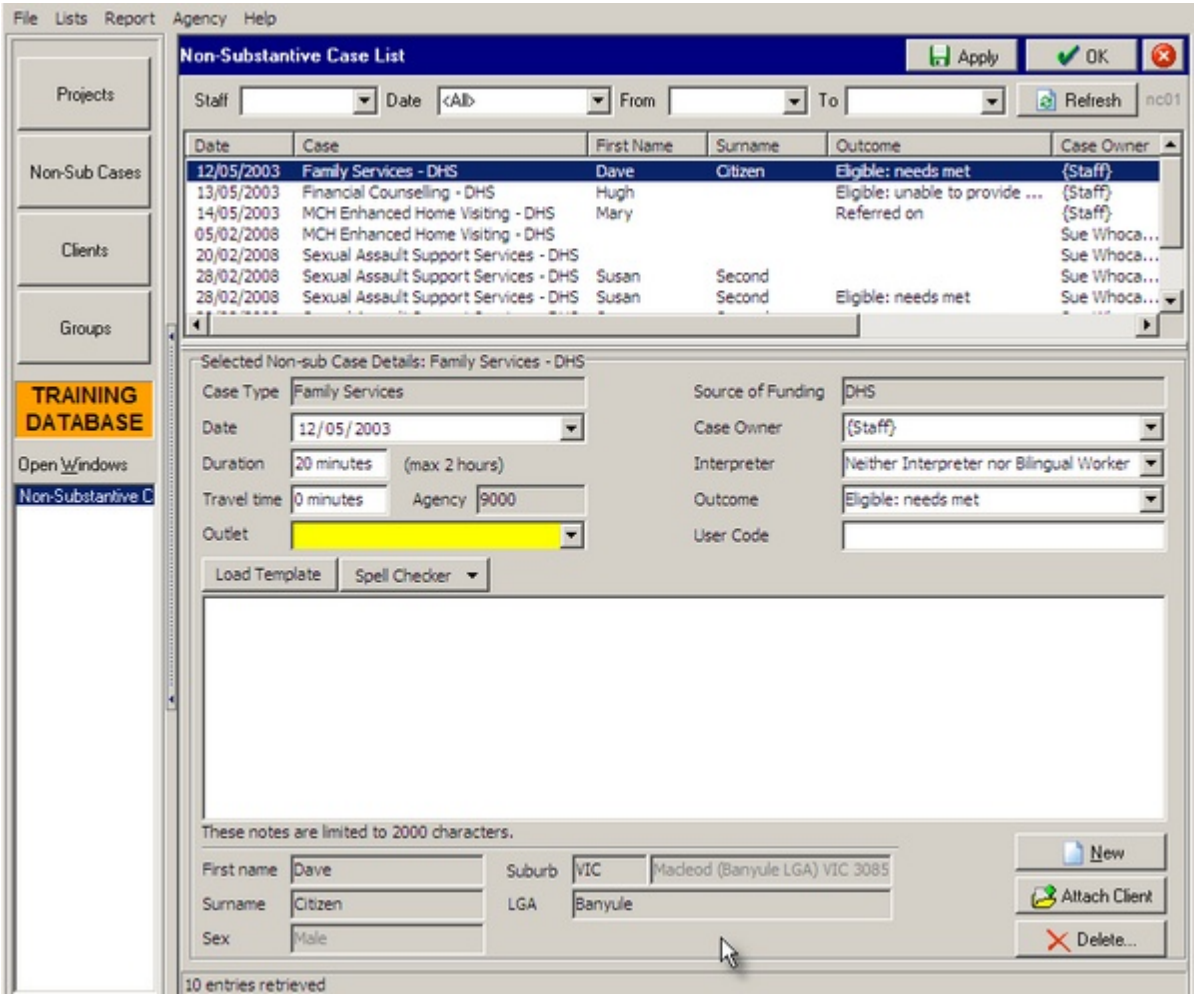
3.2.2 Non-Substantive Cases

Definition of Non-Substantive Cases
IRIS designates two types of cases of service: non-substantive cases and substantive cases. These case types are defined as:

A non-substantive case is a case where:
- Insufficient information is known/obtained about the client to officially register the client with the agency and establish an official agency file; and
- The client is assisted by a one-off intervention, ie. service activities are not ongoing beyond one day; and
- The agency does not make a comprehensive assessment to identify the client's issues; and
- The client receives not more than two staff-hours of service (from all staff combined).

Non-substantive cases would always be restricted to information, advice and resourcing.

Select **Lists > Non-Sub Cases** from the main menu to open the **Non-Substantive Cases** (nc01) window:



Filters have been provided so that you can quickly find any required sub-set of the non-substantive cases list.

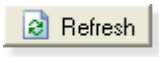
Filtering Non-Substantive Cases

The number of **Cases** displayed depends on two levels of filtering:

1. The Staff List box by default will display all NSCs that belong to the logged in user. To display everyone's NSCs scroll to the blank (top line).

2. The display is then further limited to those cases which fall into the date range you specify, either by choosing a preset filter from the **Date** drop-down list box, or by manually choosing **From** and **To** dates.

Note: If you manually choose a **From** and **To** date range, any **Date** drop-down range previously selected will be ignored.

Tip: The **Refresh** button 

can also be used to refresh the list.

Related Topics:

- Adding a New Case
- Changing Case Details
- Case Maintenance

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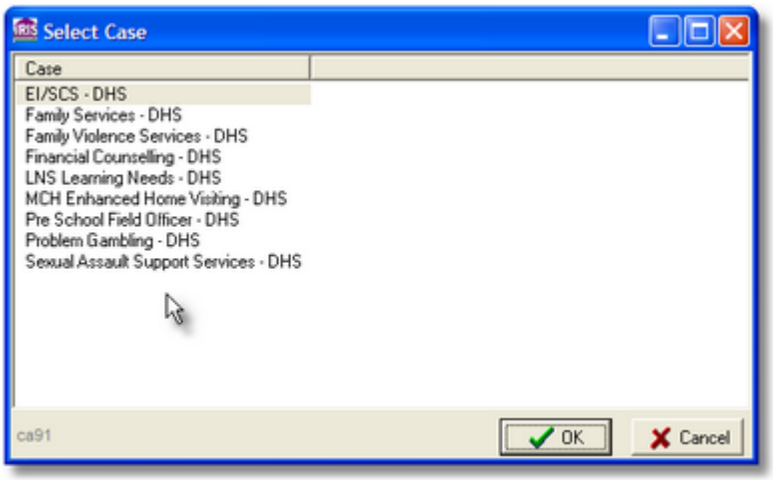
3.2.2.1 Adding a New NS Case

- Select **Lists > Non-Sub Cases** from the main menu to open the Non-Substantive Cases form.

1. To add a **New Case**, click the **New** button at the lower right of the form.

Note: All new non-substantive cases must be assigned a Case Type. These case types are set by the case types list. After clicking the **New** Case button, the **Select Case Type** dialogue (ca11) is displayed. In the screen shot below this copy of **IRIS** has nine cases available. (The source of funding is not applicable.)

2. Select the appropriate Case Type, then click **OK**:



3. Enter the details related to this non-substantive case as required.

4. Click the **Apply** button.

Tip: Selecting an area outside of the details panel (eg. clicking another NSC in the list) will perform an **Apply** automatically for you.

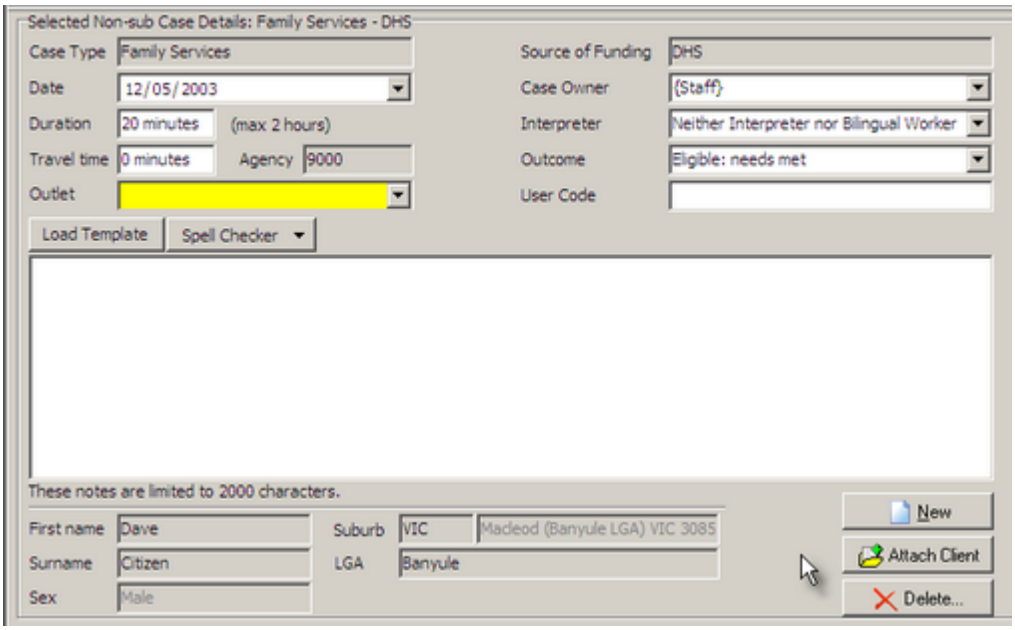
Related Topics:

- Changing Case Details
- Attaching Clients
- Case Maintenance

3.2.2.2 Changing NS Case Details

- Select **Lists > Non-Sub Cases** from the main menu to open the Non-Substantive Cases form.
- Specify the Range of NSC's you wish to display.

1. Click any **NSC** listed to display the **Details** of that Case, as in the example below:



2. Change the details related to this non-substantive case as required.

3. Click the **Apply** button.

Tip: Selecting an area outside of the details panel (eg. clicking another NSC in the list) will perform an **Apply** automatically for you.

Related Topics:

- Attaching a Client
- Changing Case Details
- Case Maintenance
- Using Notes

3.2.2.3 Attaching Clients to NS Cases

IRIS provides the capability to attach non-substantive cases to a client. The client can either be one already in the client list or can be entered as an unregistered client. The latter instance could occur when a new client enquires about a particular service. The following steps allow you to attach the non-substantive case to a registered client.

Preparation:
- Select **Lists > Non-Sub Cases** (**NSC**) from the main menu to open the Non-Substantive Cases form.
- Specify the Range of NSC's you wish to display.
- Click the desired **NSC** for which you want to Attach a Client.

1. Click the **Attach Client** button.

The **Client List** window (cl01) opens:

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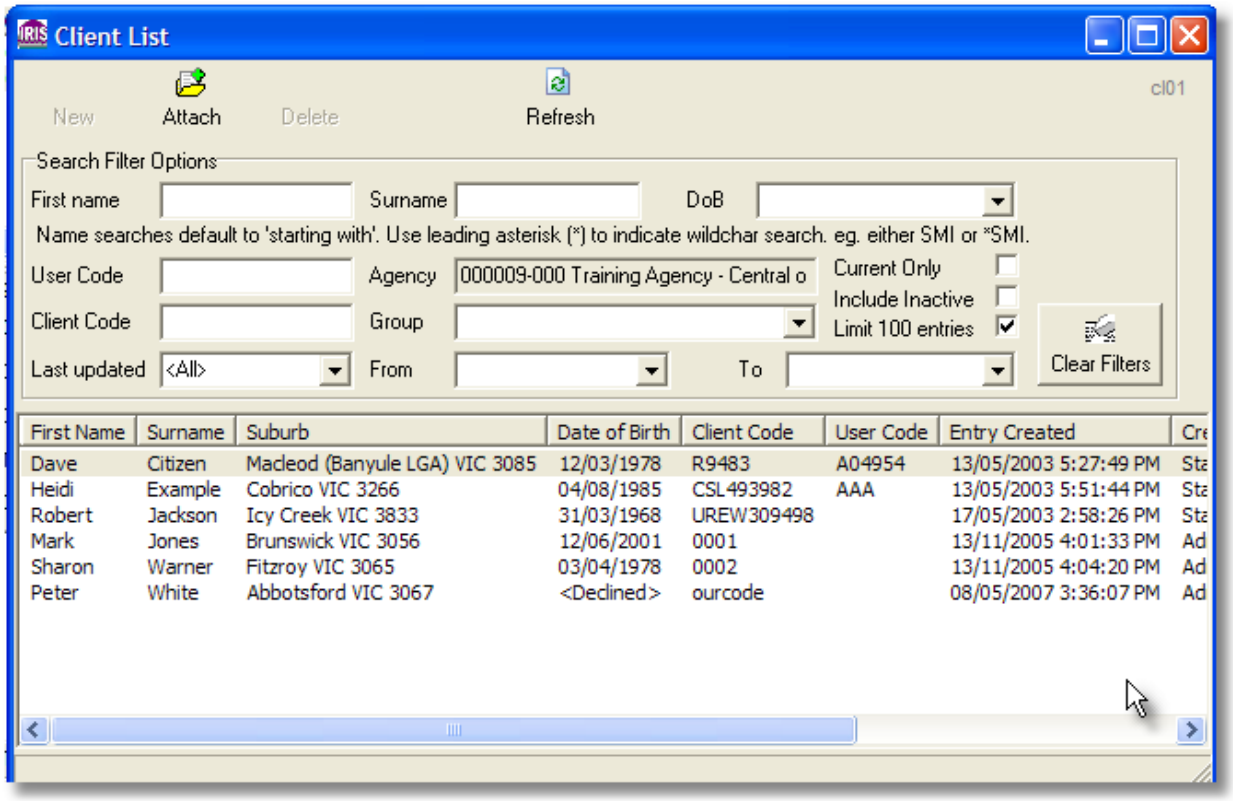


2. Click the Client you want to attach to the **NSC**, then click the **Attach** button.

3. Control will return to the NSC list with the client attached to the current non-substantive case.

4. Click the **Apply** button.

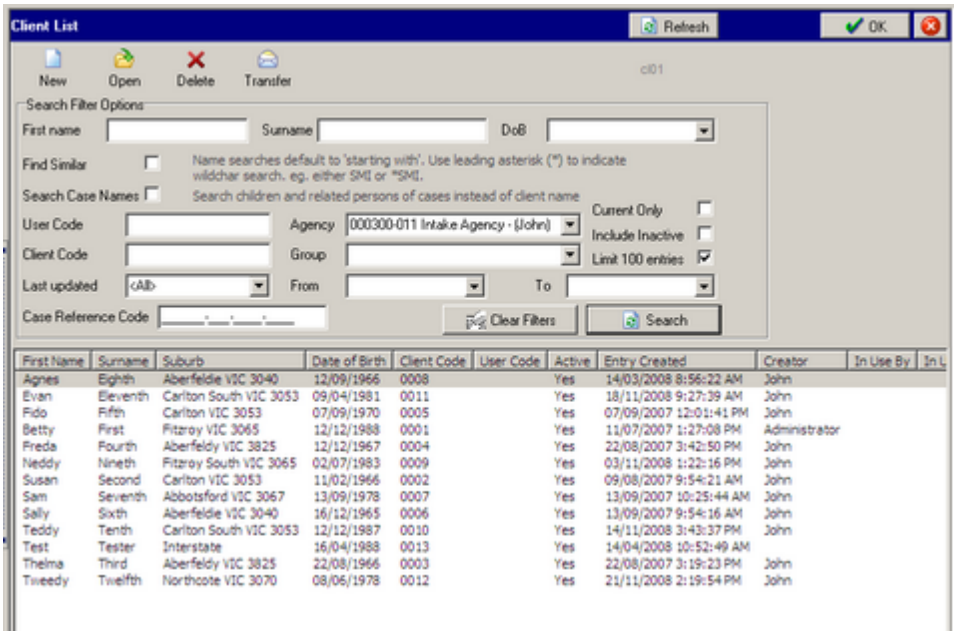
Tip: Selecting an area outside of the details panel (eg. clicking another NSC in the list) will perform an **Apply** automatically for you.

Related Topics:

- Adding a New Case
- Changing Case Details
- Case Maintenance

3.2.3 Clients

- Select **Lists > Clients** from the main menu to open the **Client List** form:


Client List
Refresh
OK
New
Open
Delete
Transfer
Search Filter Options
First name
Surname
DoB
Find Similar
Search Case Names
User Code
Client Code
Last updated
Case Reference Code
Agency
Group
From
To
Current Only
Include Inactive
Limit 100 entries
Clear Filters
Search
First Name | Surname | Suburb | Date of Birth | Client Code | User Code | Active | Entry Created | Creator
Agnes Eighth Aberfeldie VIC 3040 12/09/1966 0008 Yes 14/03/2008 8:56:22 AM John
Evan Eleventh Carlton South VIC 3053 09/04/1981 0011 Yes 18/11/2008 9:27:39 AM John
Fido Fifth Carlton VIC 3053 07/09/1970 0005 Yes 07/09/2007 12:01:41 PM John
Betty First Fitzroy VIC 3065 12/12/1988 0001 Yes 11/07/2007 1:27:08 PM Administrator
Freda Fourth Aberfeldy VIC 3825 12/12/1967 0004 Yes 22/08/2007 3:42:50 PM John
Neddy Nineth Fitzroy South VIC 3065 02/07/1983 0009 Yes 03/11/2008 1:22:16 PM John
Susan Second Carlton VIC 3053 11/02/1966 0002 Yes 09/08/2007 9:54:21 AM John
Sam Seventh Abbotsford VIC 3067 13/09/1978 0007 Yes 13/09/2007 10:25:44 AM John
Sally Sixth Aberfeldie VIC 3040 16/12/1965 0006 Yes 13/09/2007 9:54:16 AM John
Teddy Tenth Carlton South VIC 3053 12/12/1987 0010 Yes 14/11/2008 3:43:37 PM John
Test Tester Interstate 16/04/1988 0013 Yes 14/04/2008 10:52:49 AM
Thelma Third Aberfeldy VIC 3825 22/08/1966 0003 Yes 22/08/2007 3:19:23 PM John
Tweedy Twelfth Northcote VIC 3070 08/06/1978 0012 Yes 21/11/2008 2:19:54 PM John

The two fields, "**Client Code**" and "**User Code**" are available for your own agency use. Typically:

Client Code: would be used to uniquely identify clients, and

User Code: could be used to reference other client systems.

Note:

1. When a client is saved IRIS will check that the **Client Code** is not already being used and a prompt will appear until it is changed.
2. You can delete clients that you have created only if there are no cases or references to the client. These will need to be erased first. This is because the client may be connected to casework that would be lost. A client may also be set as inactive (from within the client details) indicating that the client is no longer attending the agency.

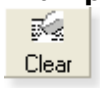
When the required client has been located the record is opened by the **Open** button or double clicking the mouse. This is where most of your work will be entered Managing Client Information

3.2.3.1 Managing Client Lists

Searching for a Client

The text boxes shown in the image above can assist you in searching for a client, or for clients who have common details. The following examples will help you learn how to quickly find any client.

Example 1: Finding Clients by Client Code



- Click the Clear Filters button to prepare for a fresh search.
- Enter the Client Code for which you are searching and press one of the **Refresh** buttons.

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or

All clients with the Client Code you entered will be displayed.

Example 2: Finding Clients by Surname

- Click the Clear Filters button

- Enter the letter 'w' in the Surname box and press one of the **Refresh** buttons.

All clients whose surname starts with the letter 'w' will be displayed. To display all names with a 'w' in them enter a '*' befor the 'w'.

Example 3: Finding Clients by User Code that have open cases.

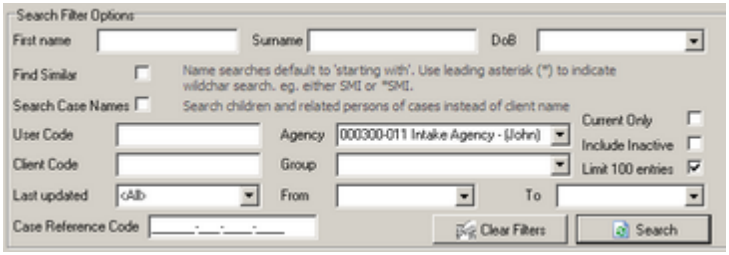
- Click the Clear button

- Enter the User Code for which you are searching
- Select the **Current Only** checkbox and press one of the **Refresh** buttons.

All all clients with open cases with a user code containing the text you entered will be displayed.

Tip: The **Open Clients Only** option can help reduce the number of entries found by restricting the selection to clients that have currently open cases. However, this option may take longer to process.

Example 4: Finding Clients who have a Child or Related Person of a particular name.
- Check the "Search Case Names" box.



The search will now include clients, related persons and children that meet the client search criteria.

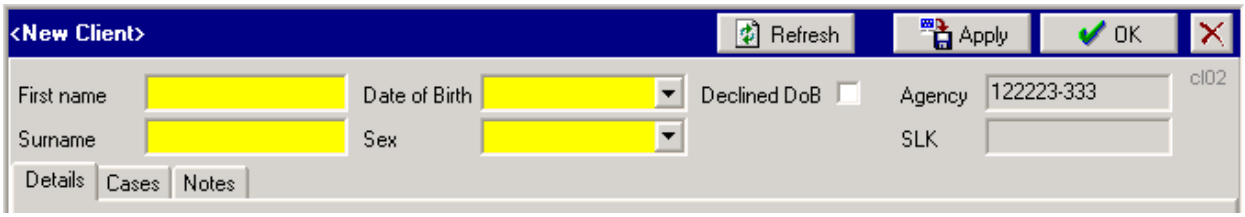
Example 5: Listing Clients with Similar Names.
The option 'Find Similar if checked will include all clients that have a similar sounding surname or first name.

Adding New Clients

To Add a **New Client**, click the the **New** button

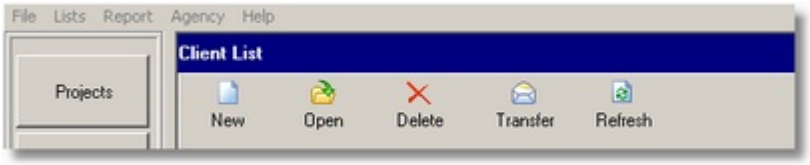
.

A **New Client Detail Sheet** will open:



Enter the information for the new client. Use the TAB key to move from item to item.

Required items are highlighted in yellow.



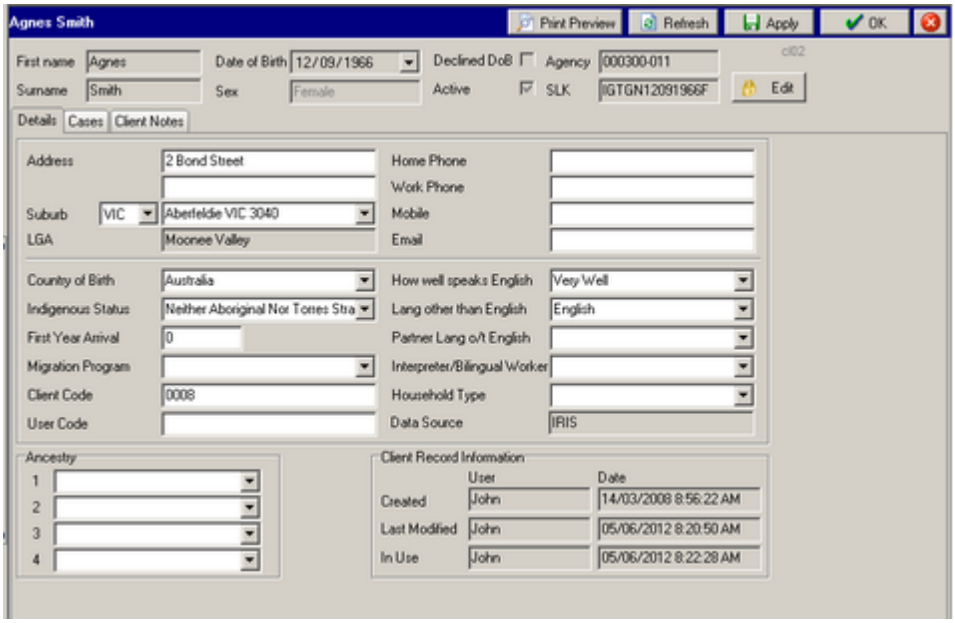
Deleting Clients

The Delete button is used to delete clients. This would be done normally when a client has mistakenly been entered more than once.

Note: Clients can only be deleted when there is no connection to other data. For example, a client cannot be deleted if it references a case.

3.2.3.2 Managing Client Information

When a chosen client record is opened the following client D**etails** screen will be displayed.



Note that in version 1-8 onwards, the client name is locked to prevent accidental modification. The 'Edit' button is used to allow the client name to be changed.

Case History

Selecting the **Cases** tab will display the non-substantive (top panel) and substantive (bottom panel) case history.

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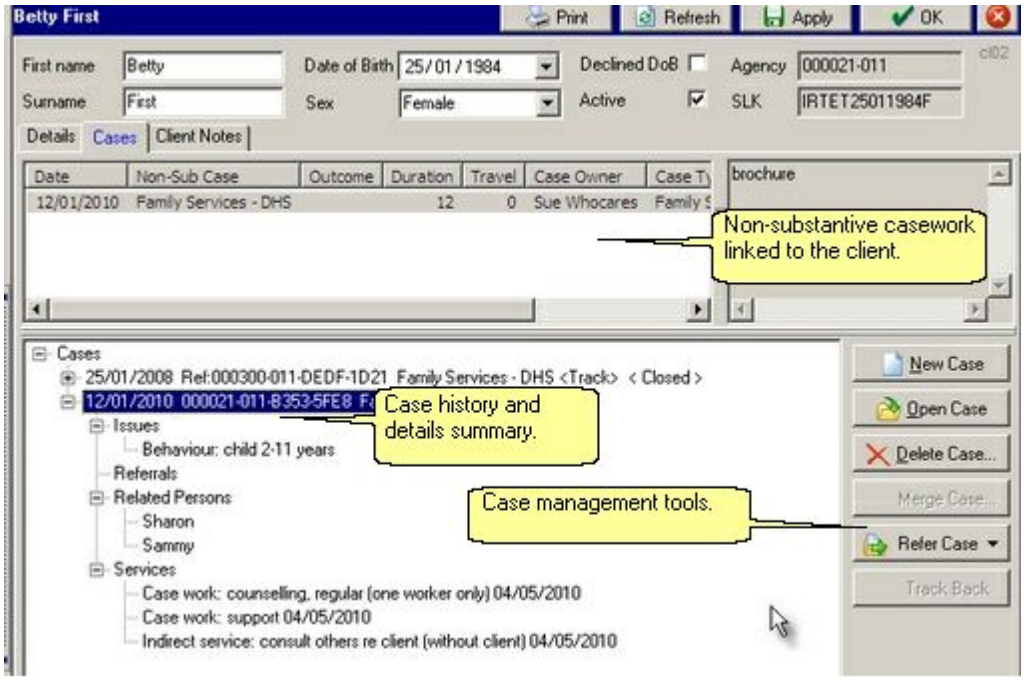


The case title comprises of five pieces of information as shown below:

The information is:

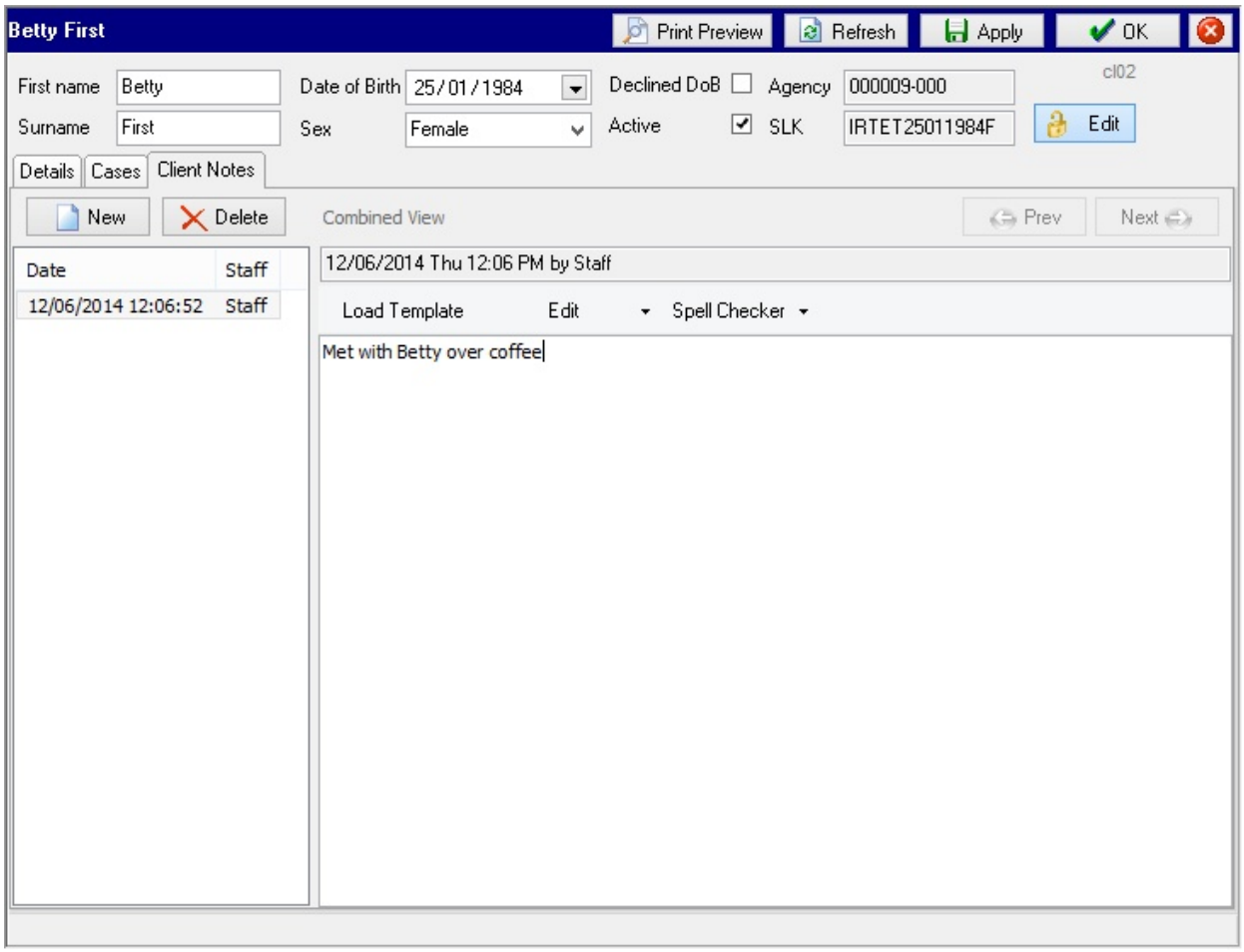
1. Referral date
2. Is the case a referral (Ref:)
3. The agency code of the source of the case
4. The case type
5. The source of funding
6. Is the case being tracked back (referrals only).

On the right hand side of the case summary panel is a panel of options available for the user to select. For further information refer to Case Management Tools

Client Notes

Selecting the **Clients Notes** tab will display the client notes. The notes are not formatted.

⚠ Note that the client record is common to all users and hence the notes should not include sensitive information.

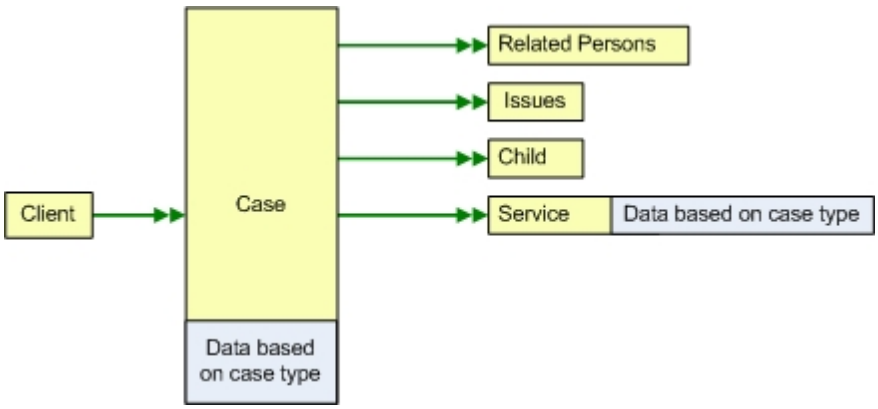


⚠ New in Version 1.9: Instead of a single note document, individual notes are created and stamped with your User Id and timestamp. All notes are visible to all users, but editing is restricted according to your security level. Eg. A STAFF user is able to edit notes created by a DATAENTRY user, but not by a SUPERVISOR. A spelling checker, as well as loading a template. For further information refer to the section Using Notes.

3.2.3.3 Cases

Cases are the area where most work is done for a client and hence the most data will be recorded here.

The basic structure of all cases is shown below. The blue shaded boxes represent the extra data that is collected according to the case type being captured.



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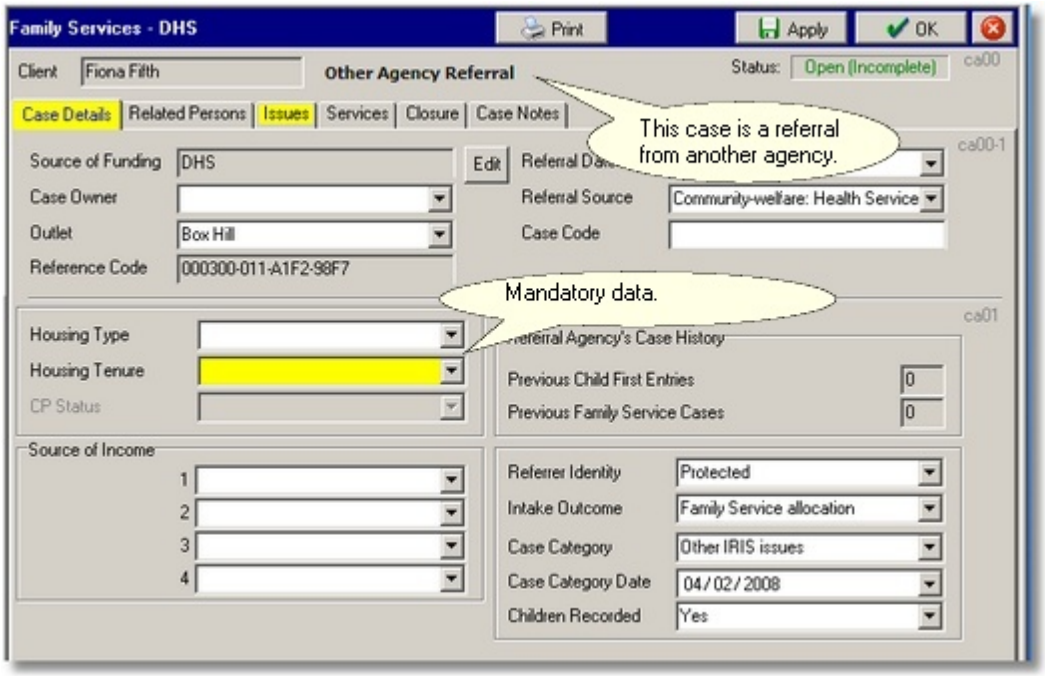
The case details are shown on separate panels for each data table.

Note that the case detail information displayed is dependant upon the case type being used. The case type being used will define:

- the Case Details panel
- what panels will be visible
- what information is required to complete a service record (if applicable), and
- the content of some lookup lists (for example available Issues).

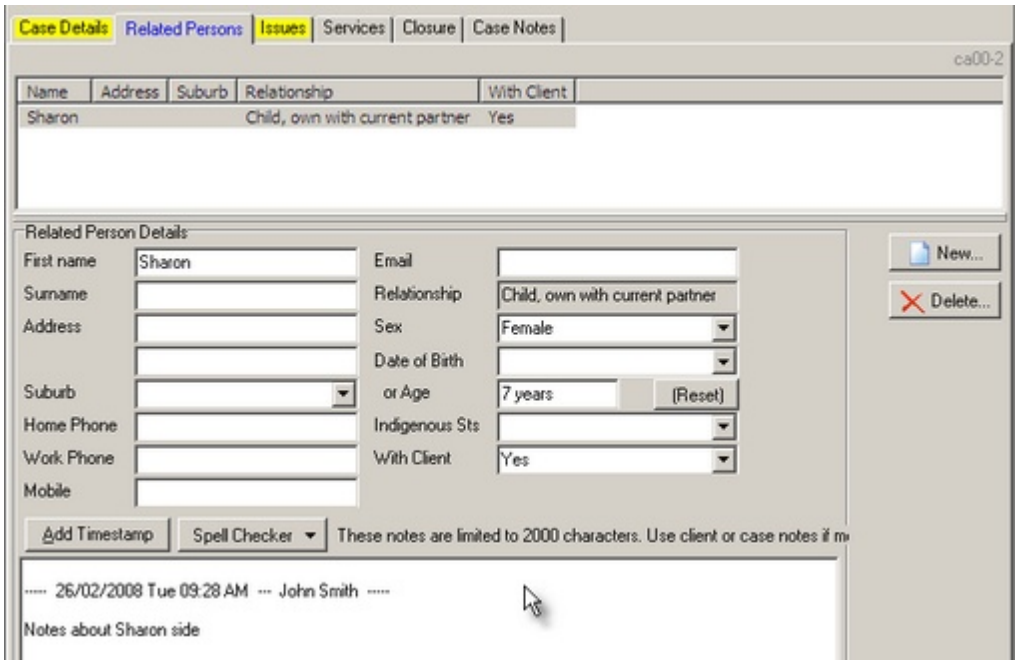
Case Details

The case details sheet is shown below. Mandatory fields are colored yellow until the item is entered. The tab will also stay yellow until all mandatory fields have been resolved.



Related Persons

The related persons screen is shown below.

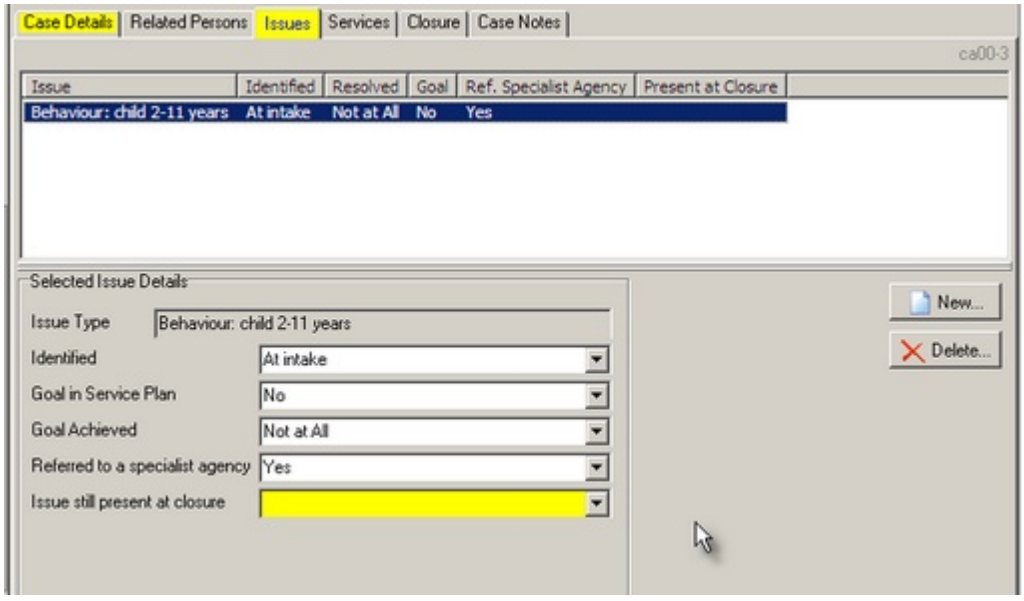


Note that the age of the person can be entered as a date or a number.

When creating notes the user has the option of adding a timestamp (name & date) as well as a spelling checker. For further information refer to the section Using Notes.

Issues

The issues for the case are shown below.



Services

The services page is shown below.

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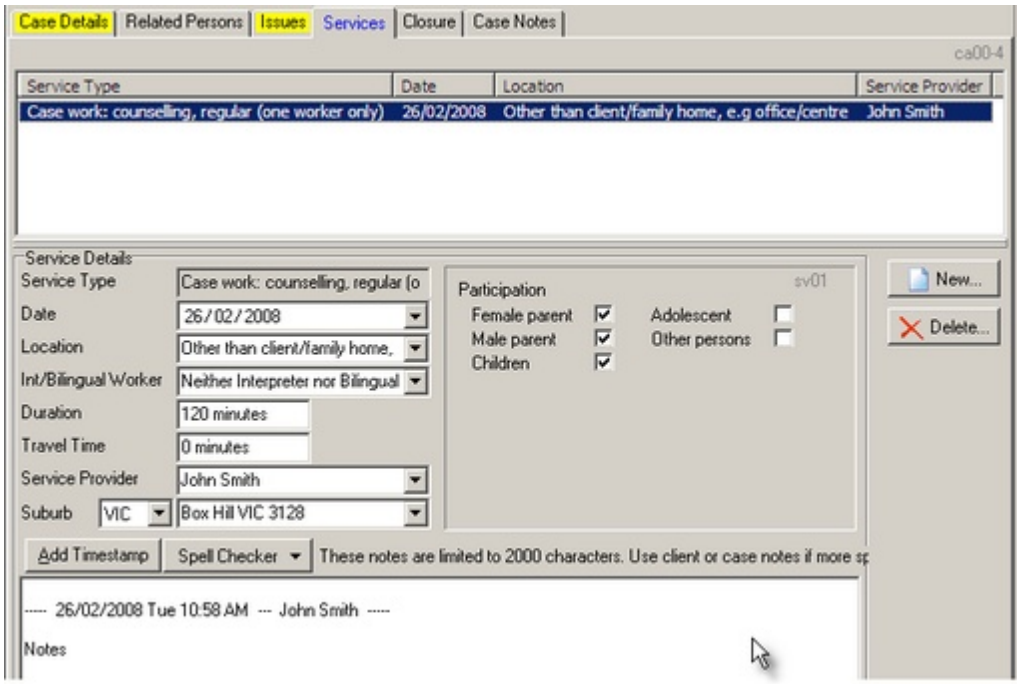
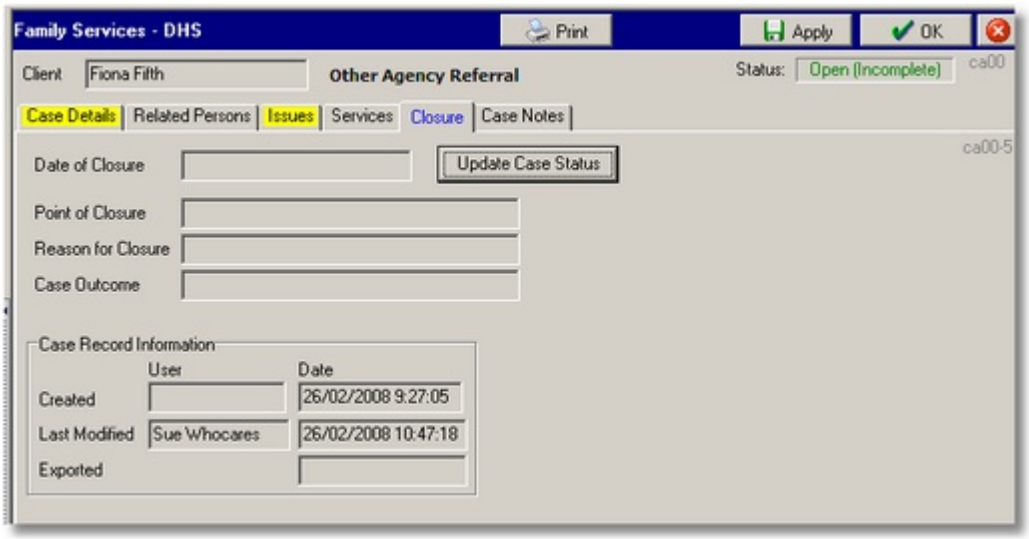


Closure

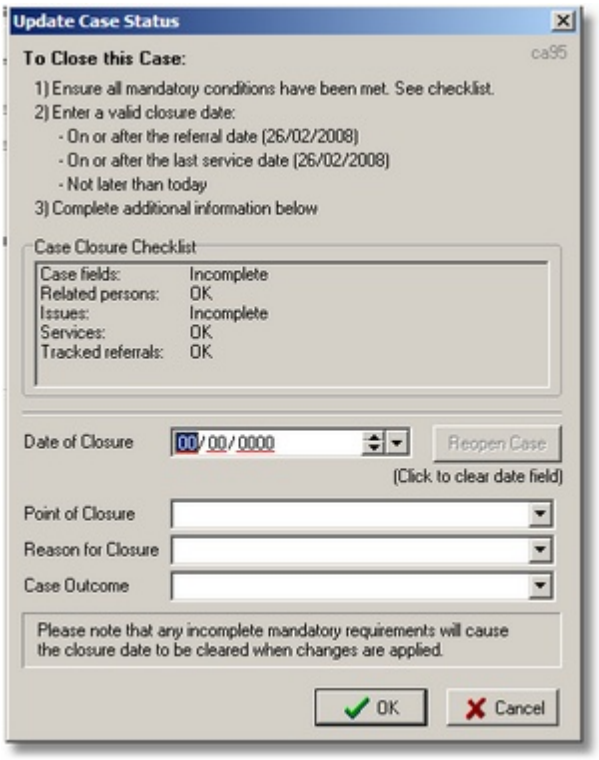
The Closure page is used to close the case, the final step in case management. A case can be closed only when:

- All mandatory fields are valid
- All tracked referrals (applies to lead agency only) have been closed.
- Closure details have been entered.

The top right hand corner of the page reflects the **Status** of the case. It can only be closed when the status is Open(Complete). A case with the status Exported means that the case has been closed and the data sent to DHHS; this case cannot be reopened.



To close the case click on the **Update Case Status** button. The following screen will be displayed.


Update Case Status
To Close this Case:
ca95
1) Ensure all mandatory conditions have been met. See checklist.
2) Enter a valid closure date:
- On or after the referral date (26/02/2008)
- On or after the last service date (26/02/2008)
- Not later than today
3) Complete additional information below
Case Closure Checklist
Case fields: Incomplete
Related persons: OK
Issues: Incomplete
Services: OK
Tracked referrals: OK
Date of Closure
00/00/0000
Reopen Case
(Click to clear date field)
Point of Closure
Reason for Closure
Case Outcome
Please note that any incomplete mandatory requirements will cause the closure date to be cleared when changes are applied.
OK
Cancel

Case Notes

The Case notes page is used to enter any case specific notes that you may wish to be recorded. For further information refer to the section Using Notes.

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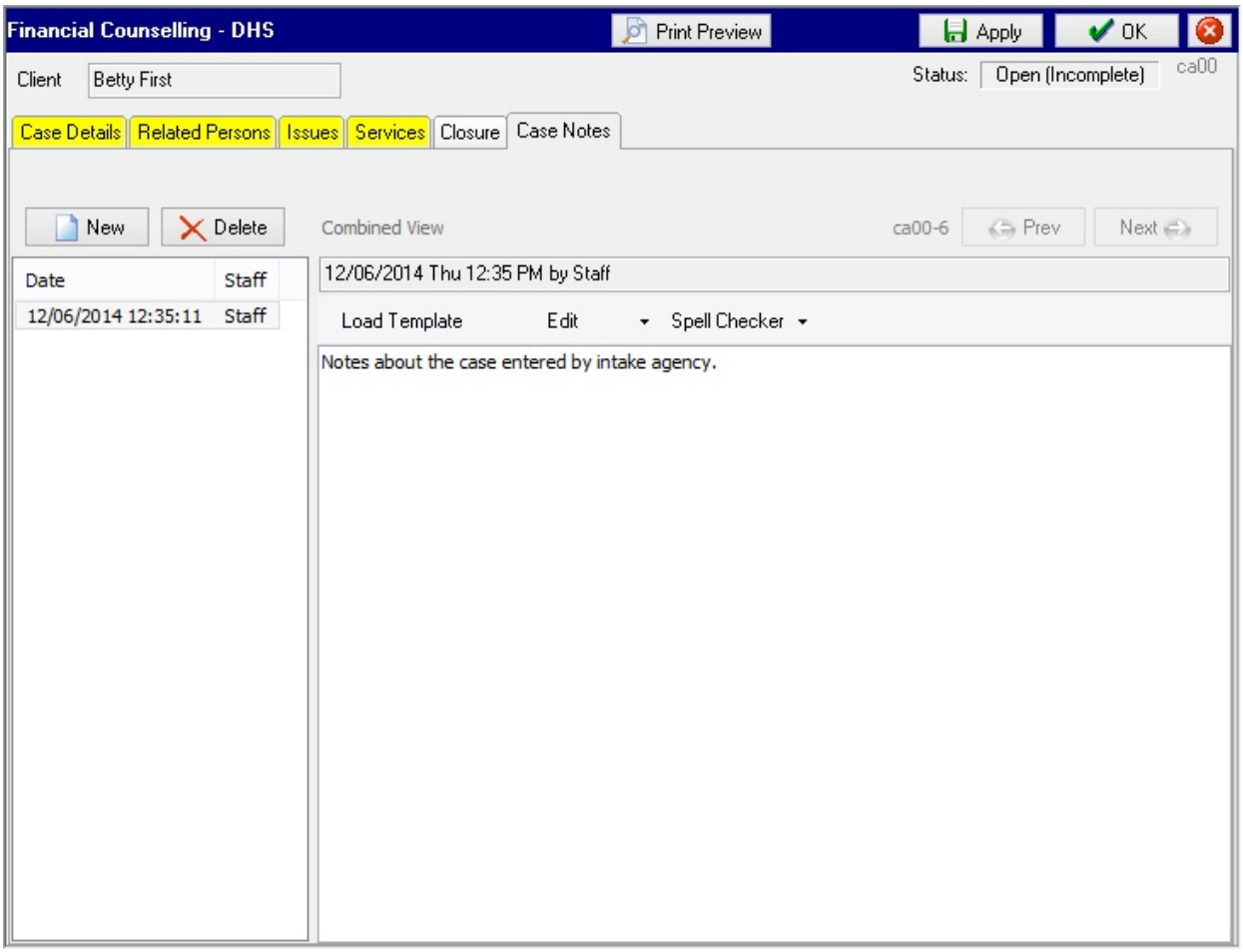


3.2.3.3.1 Definition of a case

Definition of Substantive Cases
IRIS designates two types of cases of service: non-substantive cases and substantive cases. A substantive case is a case that does not meet all the criteria to be classed as a non-substantive case.

In a case where the client is placed on a waiting list, it should be reported as a substantive case. These clients should be officially registered with your agency and have official agency files established. Maintenance services provided to the client while waiting should be reported (whether or not the client ultimately receives a full service).
A client that participates in a special purpose group should have substantive case reported.

Examples of cases
The following examples can be used by agencies to assist making decisions whether to report a case as a non-substantive or substantive case:

- A referral that is not accepted because it is does not satisfy the criteria for the program should not be reported as a case.
- A verbal referral made by a professional that does not provide sufficient information to commence a case, should not be reported as a case.
- Where a client self refers and the service that the agency provides is restricted to giving advice briefly about how to address the client's issue(s) and information about other services in the community in most instances would be a non-substantive case.
- A referral is accepted from child protection service and preliminary work occurs by means of attendance at a case planning meeting and follow-up with other agencies and professionals. However, circumstances change and the referral is withdrawn. This should be reported as a substantive case.

- The agency accepts a referral and makes many attempts to contact and meet with the client. Unfortunately the client is uncontactable and the case is closed. This should be reported as a substantive case.
- The agency accepts a referral and holds an initial meeting to assess the client's issues. At the meeting the client declines the service. Report this case as a substantive case.
- The agency accepts a referral and holds an initial meeting to assess the client's issues. The meeting identifies that the client's needs would be better met by referral to another agency. A referral is made subsequently and follow-up occurs with the client to ensure the client has been able to access the service. If access has not been gained the agency, further assists the client to gain access. Report this case as a substantive case.

If agencies require clarification about whether a case should be reported as a substantive or non-substantive one, a short outline of the scenario should be emailed to your regional liaison officer. The scenario will be referred to DHHS head office for advice.

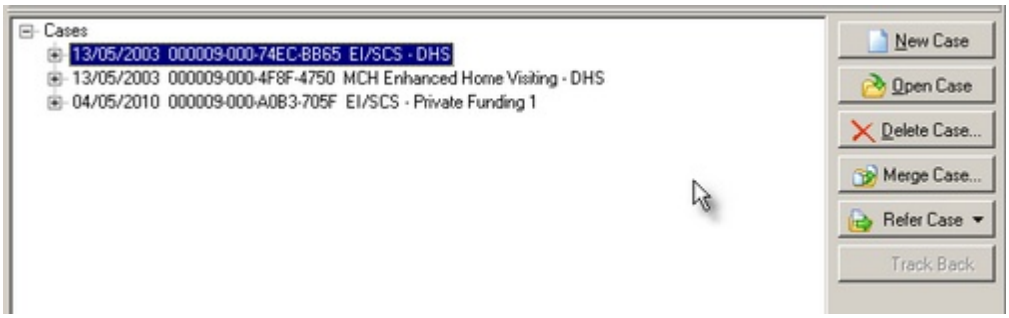
3.2.3.3.2 Case Management Tools

The case management tools are listed below.

Button	Function
	Create a new case. Only one case of the same type & funding source can be open at the same time.
	Open the case that is selected.
	Delete a case. This operation cannot be undone.
	Merges the information from one case to another case of the same type. The duplicate case is then deleted automatically. Only administrators can perform this function. For further information see Merging Cases.
	Creates a Subcontracting and Referrals for the selected case. The case is added to the owner case (shell).
	Exports the Subcontracting and Referrals data back to the lead agency. For further information also see Track-back All Referrals

3.2.3.3.3 Merging Cases

Two cases of the same case type may be merged if required. The case to be merged into is selected and the **Merge Case** button pressed.



This action will open up the Merge Cases screen as shown below. The screen provides assistance with the process.

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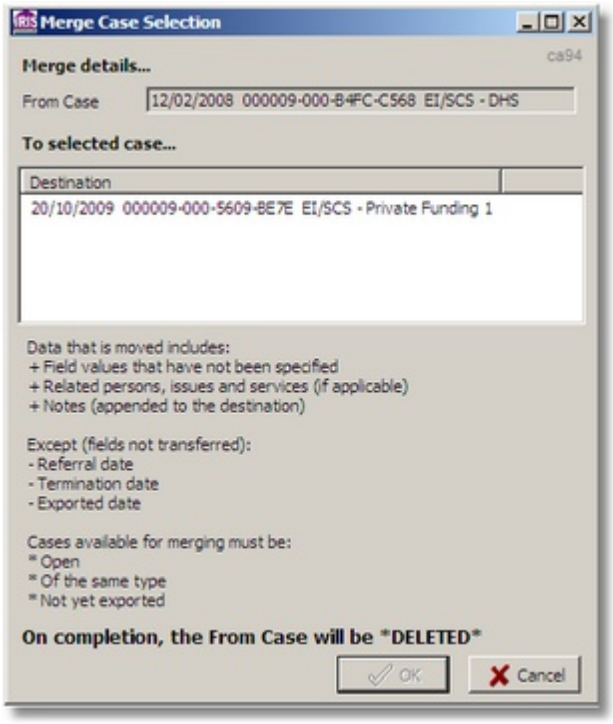
Merge Case Selection
ca94
Merge details...
From Case
12/02/2008 000009-000-B4FC-C568 EI/SCS - DHS
To selected case...
Destination
20/10/2009 000009-000-5609-BE7E EI/SCS - Private Funding 1
Data that is moved includes:
+ Field values that have not been specified
+ Related persons, issues and services (if applicable)
+ Notes (appended to the destination)
Except (fields not transferred):
- Referral date
- Termination date
- Exported date
Cases available for merging must be:
* Open
* Of the same type
* Not yet exported
On completion, the From Case will be *DELETED*
OK
Cancel

Administrator access is required for this action and the merge cannot be undone.

3.2.3.3.4 Subcontracting and Referrals

The IRIS software has been developed to include functionality to send a client and the associated case to another agency as a referral. The same process is used to manage sub-contracting.

The following sections use the Family Services Child First project as an example of a referral from a lead agency to a sub agency. The tracking back of the work done (sub-contracting) is a part of the Child First process management.

3.2.3.3.4.1 Definition of Subcontracting

These notes describe and recommend the use of subcontracting in IRIS. The notes are intended to provide background information to assist in the process.

What is subcontracting?

Subcontracting occurs when an agency with a contract to provide services to clients pays another agency to deliver the service to the client on its behalf. In the DHHS context this means DHHS has a contract (ie, a service agreement) to fund the lead agency and that lead agency subcontracts some or all of the service delivery to a sub-agency. The lead agency pays the sub-agency for delivering the service.

The important feature of subcontracting is that the sub-agency does not have a contract with DHHS to deliver the service to clients and that it is paid by a lead agency for doing so. This is not to be confused with the situation where two (or more) agencies with service agreements with DHHS in the one service program, say Family Services, refer clients to one another such as for balancing workloads or because one agency but not the other has a specialist expertise. In these instances each of the agencies services the client from its own funding provided by DHHS. No payment is made between the agencies.

It should be recognized that agencies, whether or not funded by DHHS, could have a subcontracting arrangement that is paid for with funding from sources other than DHHS; eg, local government, federal government or an agency's own funding. While these arrangements are not of interest to DHHS they can also be recorded using IRIS.

Subcontracting funded by DHHS

The parties to a subcontracting arrangement funded by DHHS should liaise closely with their DHHS regional PASA when establishing the arrangement. Both agencies must use IRIS and if either party is not it should, through its DHHS regional PASA, contact the IRIS helpdesk to have IRIS installed. The participating agencies and the PASA should all be certain about what reporting accountability is required.

DHHS needs to know about all service provided to clients that has been funded by DHHS. Consequently both the lead and sub- agencies are required to record the service they have delivered to the client and report this directly to DHHS using relevant export facilities in IRIS. Note that the sub-agency reports directly to DHHS, not via the lead agency.

DHHS also strenuously recommends to lead agencies that they receive reports, at least once per quarter, from sub-agencies about their services delivered to clients. If the set-up steps described below are exactly followed reporting to the lead agency will happen simultaneously at the time of the sub agency's reporting to DHHS and can be uploaded into the lead agency's IRIS.

In the first instance the lead agency should generate a referral from its IRIS system to the sub-agency and use the Source of Funding of "DHHS - subcontracting". The Case Reference Code will be common across both agencies and that enables the total service provided to a client to be tabulated by DHHS.

On the referral wizard the lead agency should check the "track case" box. Checking track case ensures that the referral to the sub-agency will be automatically reported back by the sub-agency when it exports its data to DHHS at the end of each quarter. Using the import features in IRIS the lead agency can form a "joined-up" record of service to the client by both itself and the sub-agency.

If it is agreed, including by the DHHS regional PASA, that the lead agency does not need any feedback from the sub-agency then it need not use the track case function when making the referral to the sub-agency.

Subcontracting Not funded by DHHS

DHHS needs to know about all service provided to clients that has been funded by DHHS. Consequently both the lead and sub- agencies are required to record the service they have delivered to the client and report this directly to DHHS using relevant export facilities in IRIS. Note that the sub-agency reports directly to DHHS, not via the lead agency. The participating agencies and the PASA should all be certain about what reporting accountability is required.

DHHS also strenuously recommends to lead agencies that they receive reports, at least once per quarter, from sub-agencies about their services delivered to clients. If the set-up steps described below are exactly followed reporting to the lead agency will happen simultaneously at the time of the sub-agency's reporting to DHHS and can be uploaded into the lead agency's IRIS.

In the first instance the lead agency should generate a referral from its IRIS system to the sub-agency and use the Source of Funding of "Subcontracting -non DHHS" . The Case Reference Code will be common across both agencies and that enables the total service

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provided to a client to be tabulated by DHHS.

On the referral wizard the lead agency should check the 'track case' box. Checking track case ensures that the referral to the sub-agency will be automatically reported back by the sub-agency when it exports its data to DHHS at the end of each quarter. Using the import features in IRIS the lead agency can form a "joined-up" record of service to the client by both itself and the sub-agency.

If it is agreed, including by the DHHS regional PASA, that the lead agency does not need any feedback from the sub-agency then it need not use the track case function when making the referral to the sub-agency.

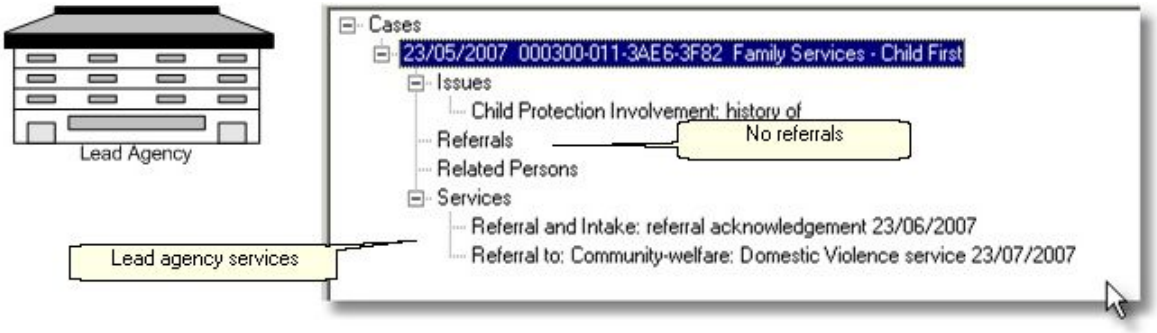
3.2.3.3.4.2 The Subcontracting Process

The IRIS software has been developed to include functionality to send a case to another agency as a referral. The same process is used to manage sub-contracting.

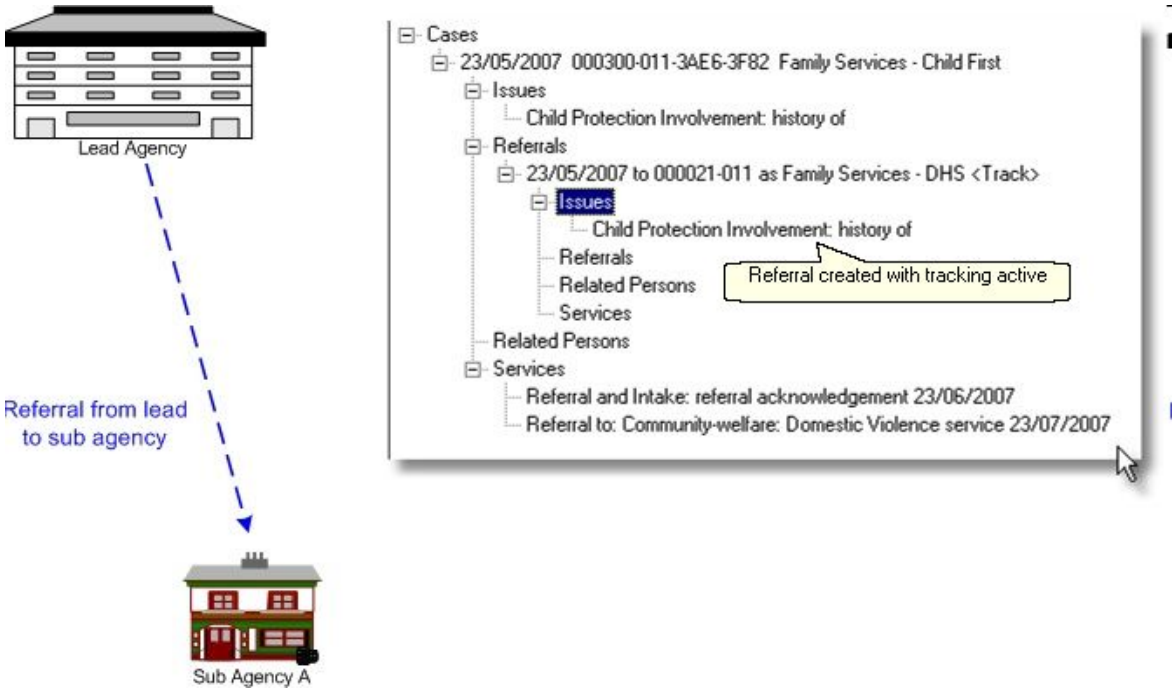
The case summary screen summarizes the case treatment history of the client. Further information is available in Cases.

The subcontracting process may be summarized as follows:

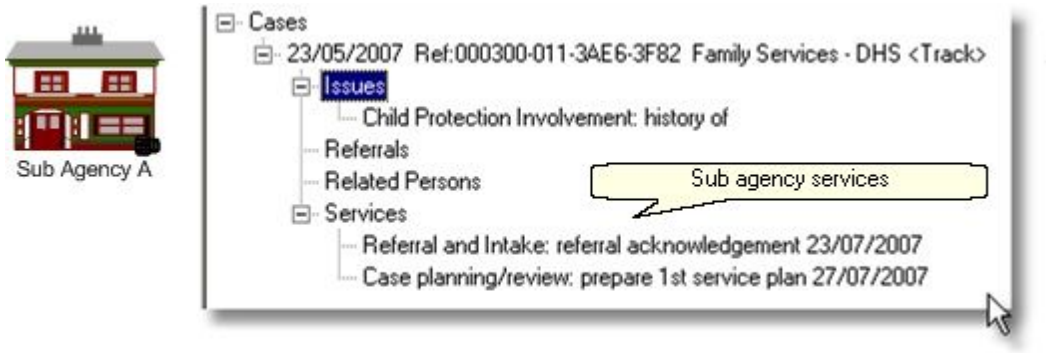
1. The lead agency creates a case for the client as is normally done. In this case two services were delivered to the client.



2. The lead agency may decide to refer all or part of the client casework to another area within their agency (self referral), or refer the client for service to partner (sub) agencies. IRIS will create an electronic referral for the external referrals which is emailed to the sub agencies. The lead agency has the option of being able to track the work being performed by a subcontractor. The screen below shows the addition of the referral to the sub agency and tracking is turned on.



3. Each sub agency imports the referral into their IRIS system. This creates a new client and case for the subcontractor to record their service delivery to the client. The graphic below shows how the referral has been added to the sub agency case list to which they have added their own services to the case. Note that the case code is the same for all casework referred.



4. The subcontractor regularly exports their data, which if tracking has been activated will send a copy of the work done back to the lead agency. In this way the lead agency can better manage the entire global service being supplied to the client.

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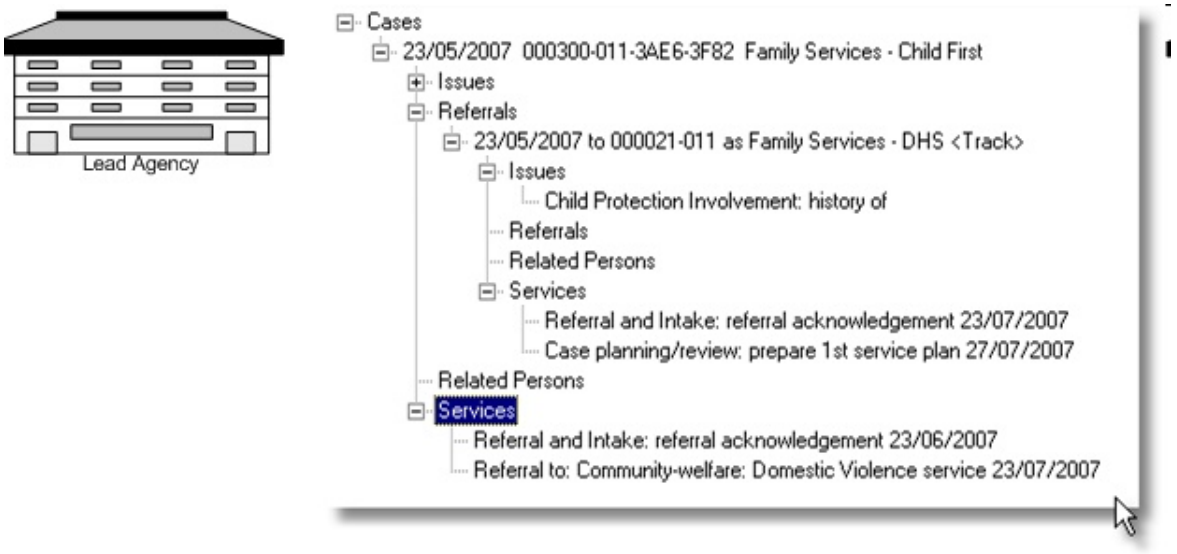


To refer a case from the intake agency, highlight the case with the cursor and click on the Refer Case button on the right side of the screen.

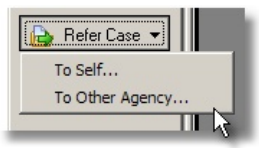
3.2.3.3.4.3 Creating a referral

After creating a 'Family Services - Child First' case the intake agency can refer the case to a partner Family Services agency. Intake can also refer a case to itself. Case referral can be done by a member of **staff** in the intake agency. However, the intake agency may decide that this role should be undertaken by an IRIS user with a**administrator** or **supervisor** status.

To refer a case from the intake agency, highlight the case with the cursor and click on the Refer Case button on the right side of the screen.

Note that the Refer Case button will be enabled only if the selected case is not a referred case.

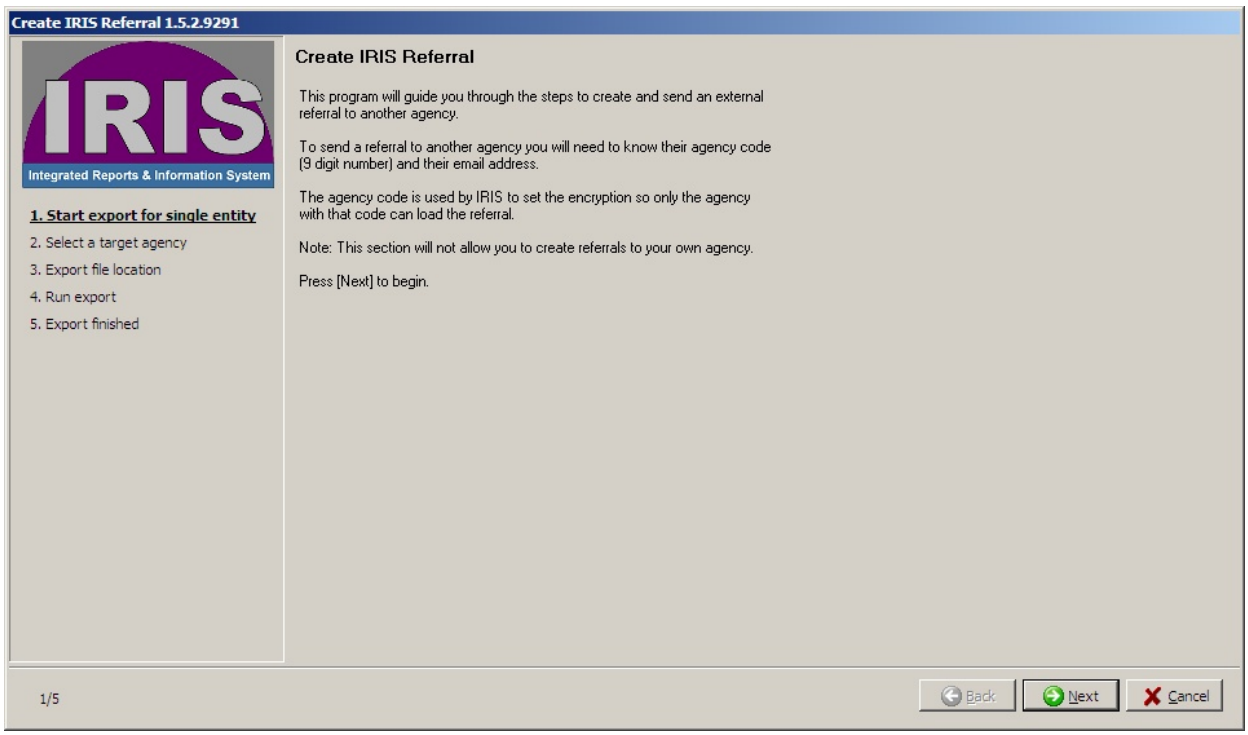
Two options will be available to choose from: **'To Self . . .'** and **'To Other Agency . . .'**



A. CASE REFERRAL TO A PARTNER AGENCY

1. To refer to a partner agency click on the **'To Other Agency . . .'** option.

2. The Refer IRIS Case wizard will appear. Click on the Next button to get to the next screen.


Create IRIS Referral 1.5.2.9291
IRIS
Integrated Reports & Information System
1. Start export for single entity
2. Select a target agency
3. Export file location
4. Run export
5. Export finished
Create IRIS Referral
This program will guide you through the steps to create and send an external referral to another agency.
To send a referral to another agency you will need to know their agency code (9 digit number) and their email address.
The agency code is used by IRIS to set the encryption so only the agency with that code can load the referral.
Note: This section will not allow you to create referrals to your own agency.
Press [Next] to begin.
1/5
Back
Next
Cancel

IRIS will search the database for the case that is being referred. (Client name and case type will show near the top of the screen).

3. In the "Referred as" field, choose DHHS (as the Source of Funding).

4. IRIS has the ability to 'track' progress of a case. Place a tick in the Track progress box if data on the case is to be returned (exported) back to the intake agency from the partner agency(ies). Note: - if 'track' progress is selected then the intake agency will be unable to close this case until the partner agency exports back a closed referral case.

   No tick should be placed in the box if the intake agency is making a referral and does not want information sent back. The intake agency can then close the Family Services – Child First case on their database at any time.

5. Place a tick in the box next to the consent acknowledgement notice. (It is not possible to move to the next screen until this is done).

6. Enter the agency code of the partner agency to which the case is being referred in the "Full Agency code" field. The email address of the person/agency who will receive the referral is entered in the "Email address" field. Then click on the Next button.

7. Enter the Date of Allocation if you wish to not use the default of today.

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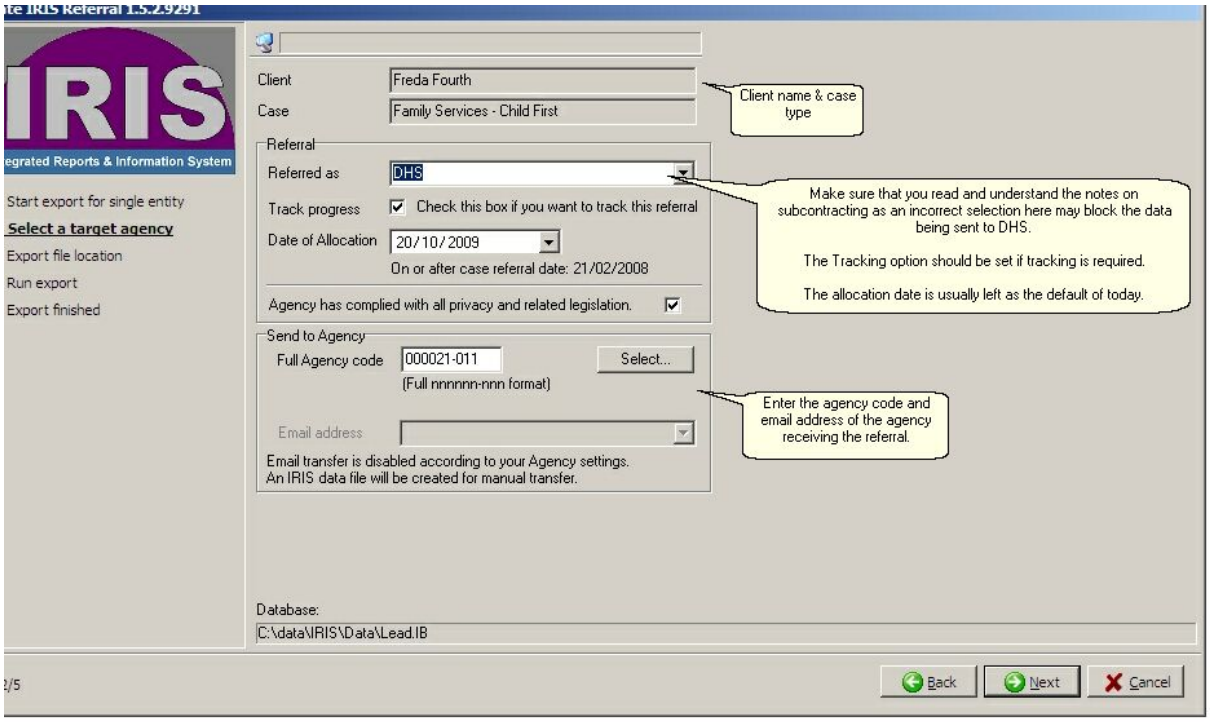
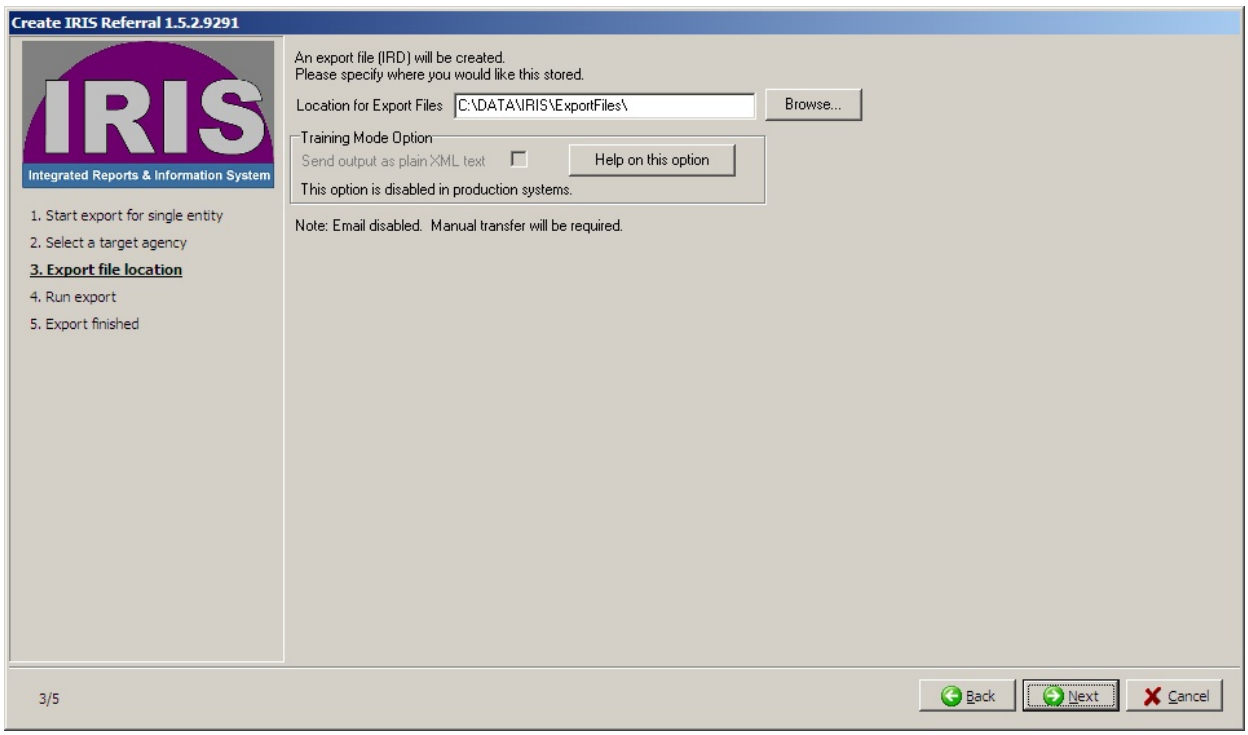

IRIS
Integrated Reports & Information System
Start export for single entity
Select a target agency
Export file location
Run export
Export finished
Client
Freda Fourth
Case
Family Services - Child First
Client name & case type
Referral
Referred as
DHS
Track progress
Check this box if you want to track this referral
Date of Allocation
20/10/2009
On or after case referral date: 21/02/2008
Agency has complied with all privacy and related legislation.
Make sure that you read and understand the notes on subcontracting as an incorrect selection here may block the data being sent to DHS.
The Tracking option should be set if tracking is required.
The allocation date is usually left as the default of today.
Send to Agency
Full Agency code
000021-011
Select...
(Full nnnnnn-nnn format)
Email address
Email transfer is disabled according to your Agency settings.
An IRIS data file will be created for manual transfer.
Enter the agency code and email address of the agency receiving the referral.
Database:
C:\data\IRIS\Data\Lead.IB
Back
Next
Cancel

In the third screen, IRIS shows the referral file will be created and a copy stored in the Export Files folder. It is possible to click on the Browse button and select another folder to store the file copy. Click on the **Next** button.

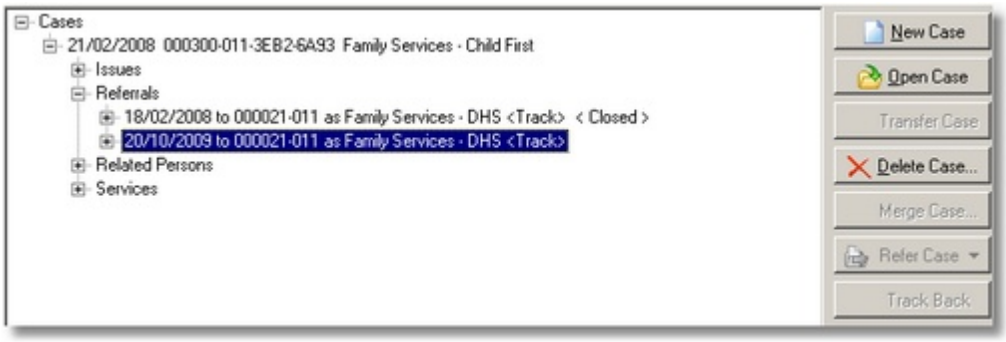


When the referral is completed, click on the **Done** button on screen 5.

The case created by the intake agency shows in the client's cases screen (cl02). This entry displays the intake agency's code and the unique case reference code. Beneath this entry

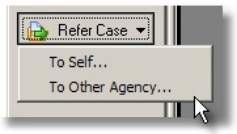
is a referral 'shell' or copy of the case that has been referred out, including the date and the code of the agency to which it was sent. This shell can be opened and viewed, but no changes made to it.

Note: - More than one referral per case can be made by the intake agency. The referrals will show, in order, under the original case.

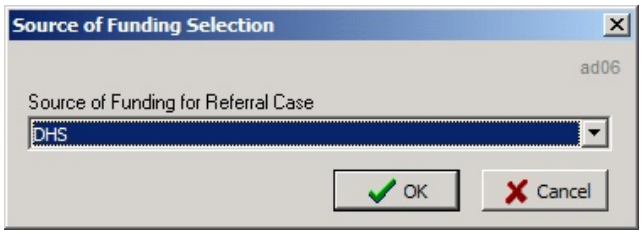


B. CASE REFERRAL TO SELF

1. When a case is being referred by the intake agency to itself, click on the Refer Case button and then click on the **'To Self . . .'** option



2. Choose DHHS as the Source of Funding for the referral case and click on the **OK** button.



3. In the client's case screen a referral 'shell' will be created under the case.

Note: - Administrator level access is required to disable the tracking option.

4. The referral case can be opened, assigned to a member of staff in the intake agency (case owner) and work entered (services, issues, etc.).

Note: - Entries and changes made to the referral case will automatically show in the referral shell. **The referral case does not need to be exported back to the intake agency.**

5. When the referral case is closed, the referral 'shell' will automatically show as being closed. The referring case can then be closed manually by the intake agency.

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3.2.3.3.4.4 Receiving Referrals

A referral case will arrive as an attachment to an incoming email. The attachment file will need to be detached and stored in a convenient location. To avoid losing files, create a new folder and label it appropriately (eg; create a folder called "Referrals").

Referral cases must be imported into partner agencies and this is a function that only an **IRIS Supervisor or higher (eg; Administrator)** can perform:

Click on **File** and **Data Import.** For details refer to Data Import

3.2.3.3.4.5 Case Closure with referrals

A case with tracked referrals must have all referred cases closed before it can be closed. To close a case refer to the case closure section in Cases.

3.2.4 Groups

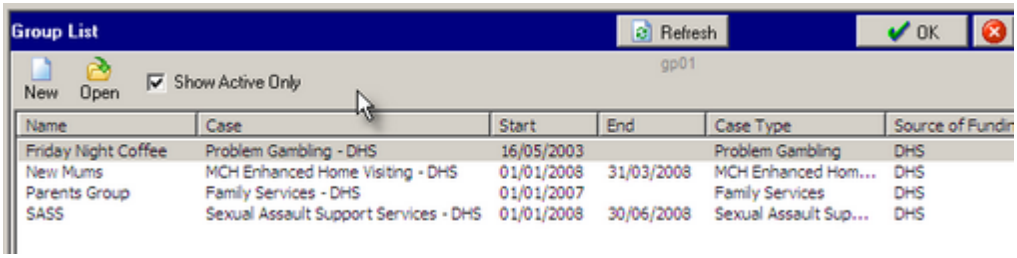
What is Group Work?
Group work takes one of two forms. The first is as a community service, eg. a staff member gives a lecture/presentation/seminar on an area of interest or concern at a local school, interest group or public forum.
Reporting of activities for community service groups should be undertaken using the Projects button. The project may be ongoing or have a fixed duration, eg. six weeks.

The second type of group work activity is generally referred to as special purpose, eg. an anger management or parenting group. The group may also be ongoing or have a fixed duration.
Participation in these groups tends to take three forms:

- Clients who are registered and are currently receiving services, eg. family counselling
- Clients who are registered clients, but who do not have a case open at the time of attending the group.
- Clients who are not registered.

Reporting of participation in special purpose groups should be undertaken for each client by using the Group button. If a client attends at least one session of these groups and has in the past been a client but does not have a case open, then IRIS automatically opens a new case for that client. Where a client attends at least one session of one of these groups and is not registered as a client, then a new client should be registered and a new case will need to be opened.

- Select **Lists > Groups** from the main menu to open the **Group List** form:

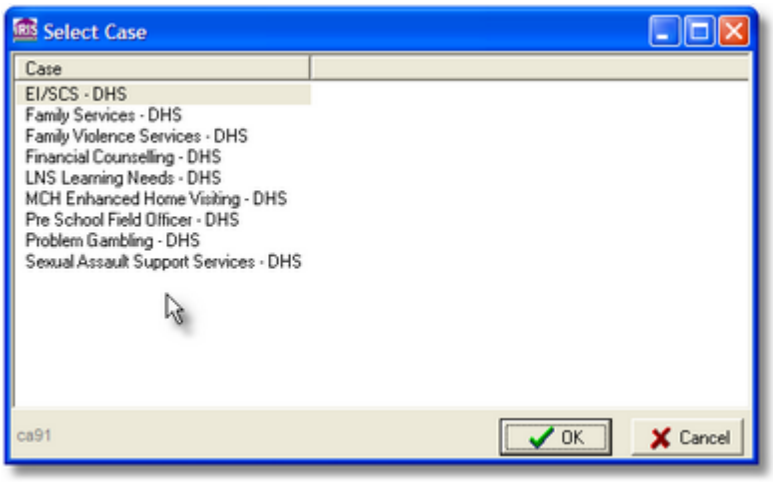


The **Group List** will be empty when you first start to use **IRIS**. The screen above shows four groups.

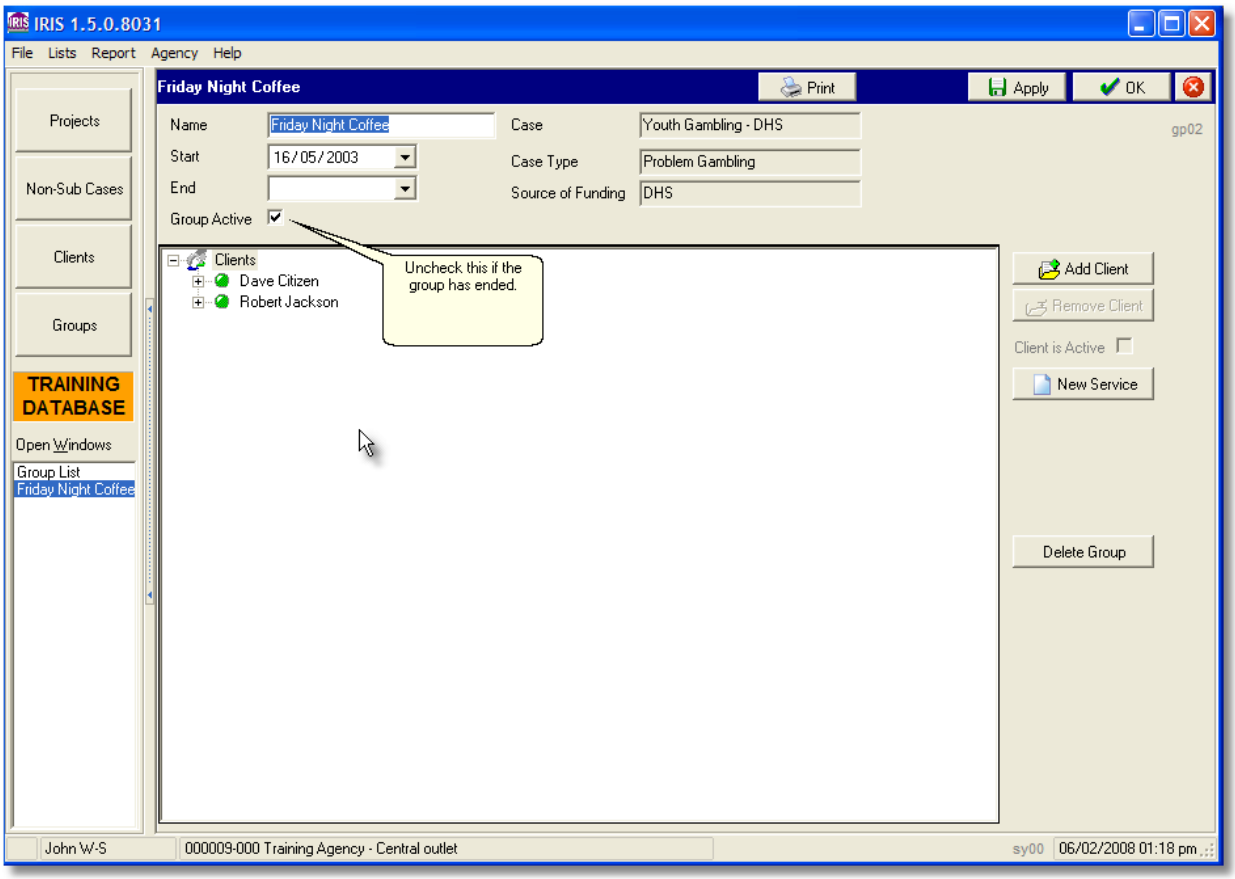
To Add a **New Group**, click the the **New** button.

Each **Group** you create must be attached to an existing **Case**. (See Creating a New Case)

The **Select Case** dialog will open:



The group screen is shown below.



3.2.4.1 Working with Groups

The group screen is shown below. Clients may be added, removed and also marked as inactive. The latter option is usefull if the group is large and a 'roll call' would be a useful tool.

Groups may also be deleted. The 'Print' button generates a preview of the Group Details Report

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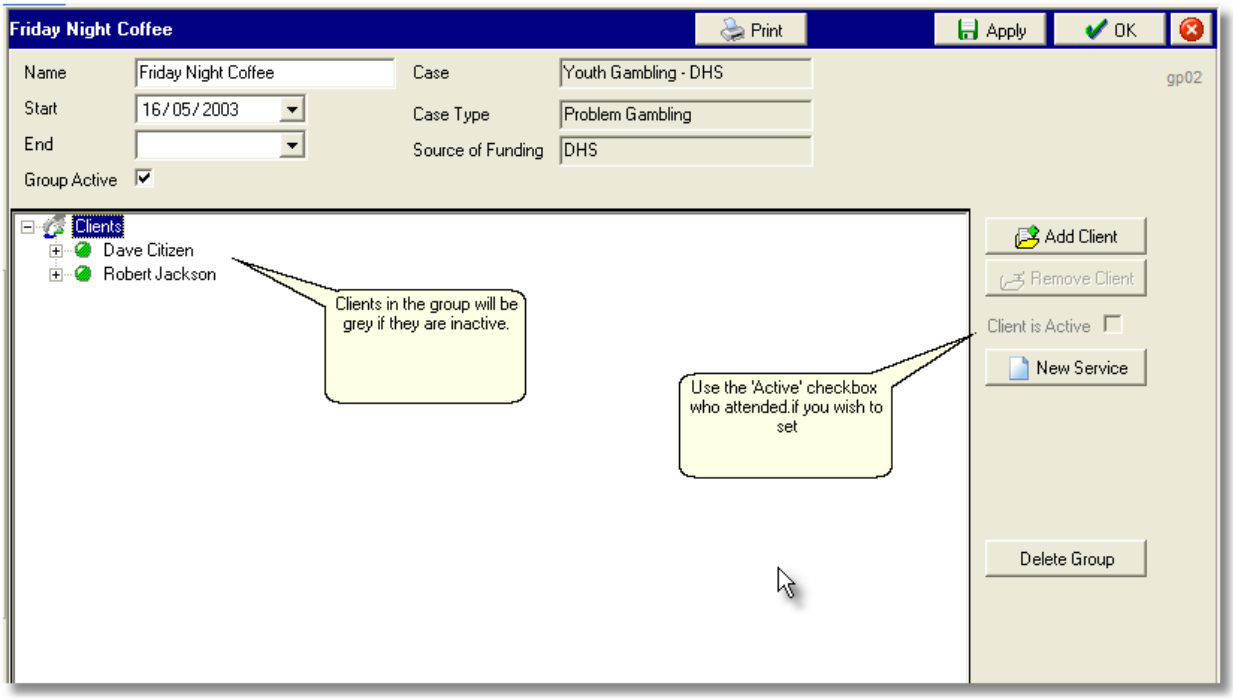
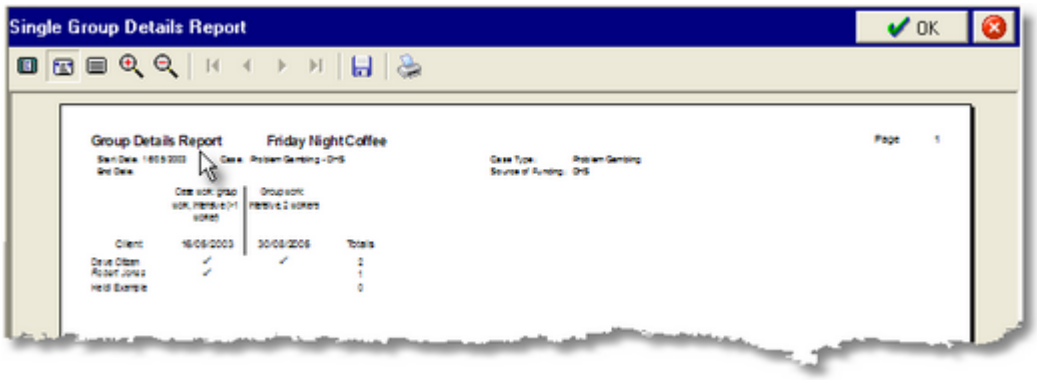


3.2.4.2 Group Details Report

The group details report is shown below and summarises the service activity for the group. This report is useful for tracking client attendances.



3.3 Report Menu

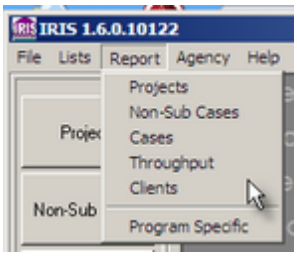
The IRIS program offers many reports. The reports are designed to assist in the case management of clients, the day to day operational management of the agency and also to provide demographic analysis for research purposes.

The following report categories are available in IRIS:

- Projects,
- Non-substantive cases (NSC),
- Cases,
- Throughput,
- Clients.

Most reports are accessed by clicking on Reports and then the category of the report. For example, **Report** > **Clients**.

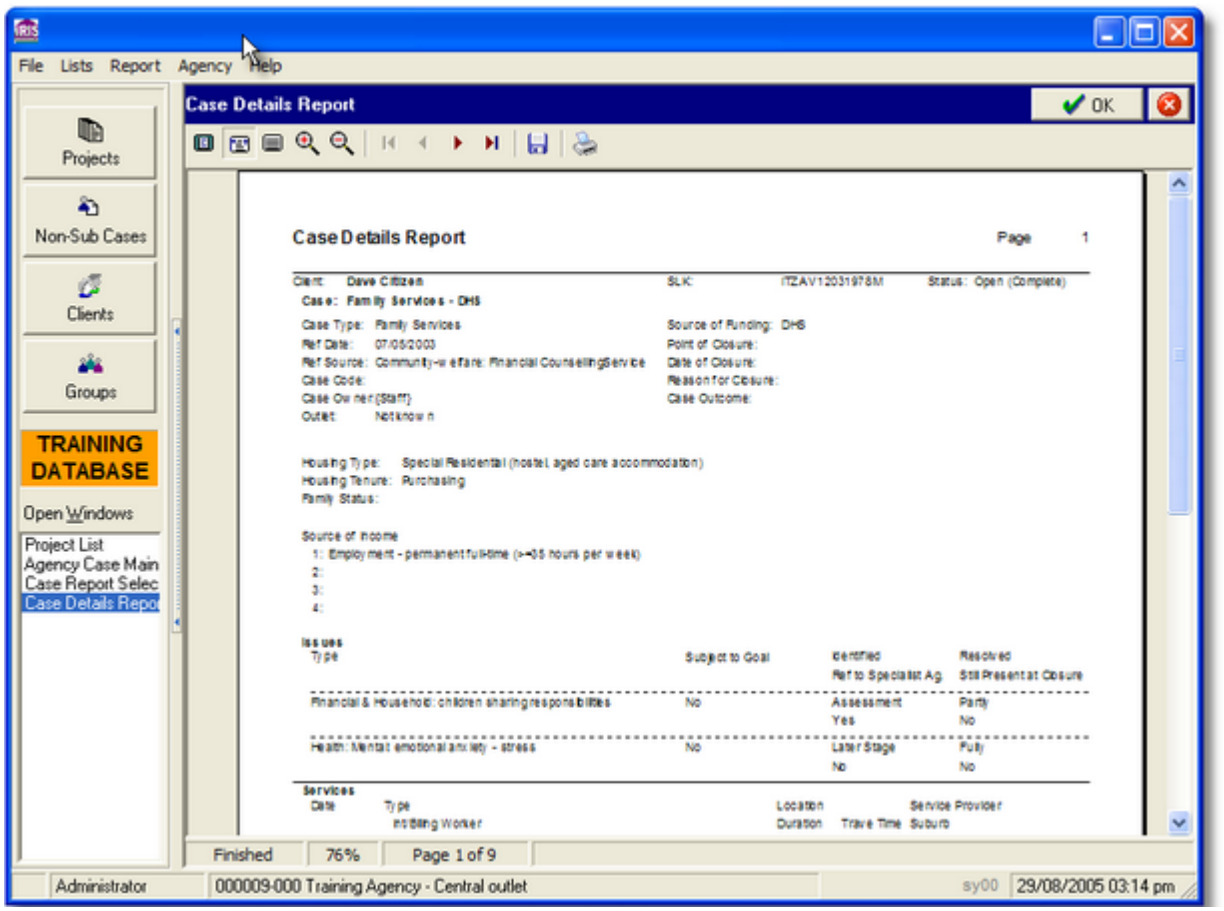
Client reports and case reports are the most frequently used reports in IRIS. The **Report** menu contains:



Topics on this menu:
- Projects
- Non Substantive Cases
- Cases
- Throughput
- Clients
- Program_Specific

Common to all reports is the Preview Window:

Example Report



If the report detail appears too small, use one of the resize options to zoom in or out.

 Navigate through each page of the report using the arrow buttons.

Use the **Print** button to print the report.

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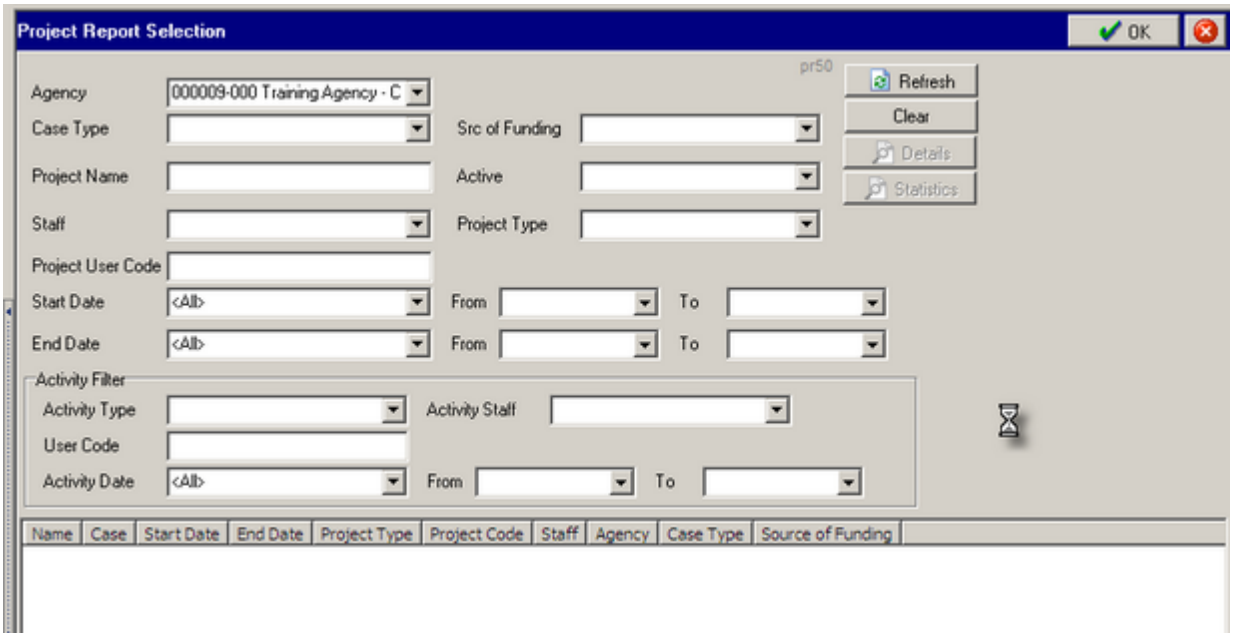
Use the **Save** button to save the report as text. The reports can be saved in pdf, csv and txt.

- The pdf file is useful for printing and emailing.
- The csv is a format that can be loaded into MS Excel. This would be useful if the data was to be inserted into a spreadsheet for further refinement or customization. Note that the formatting in some cases requires some work as some reports are complex and column information may be misaligned.
- The txt option creates a text file which can be useful for loading sub sections into a text editor for further publication.

3.3.1 Projects

Select **Report > Projects** from the main menu to open the **Project Report Selection** (pr50) window:



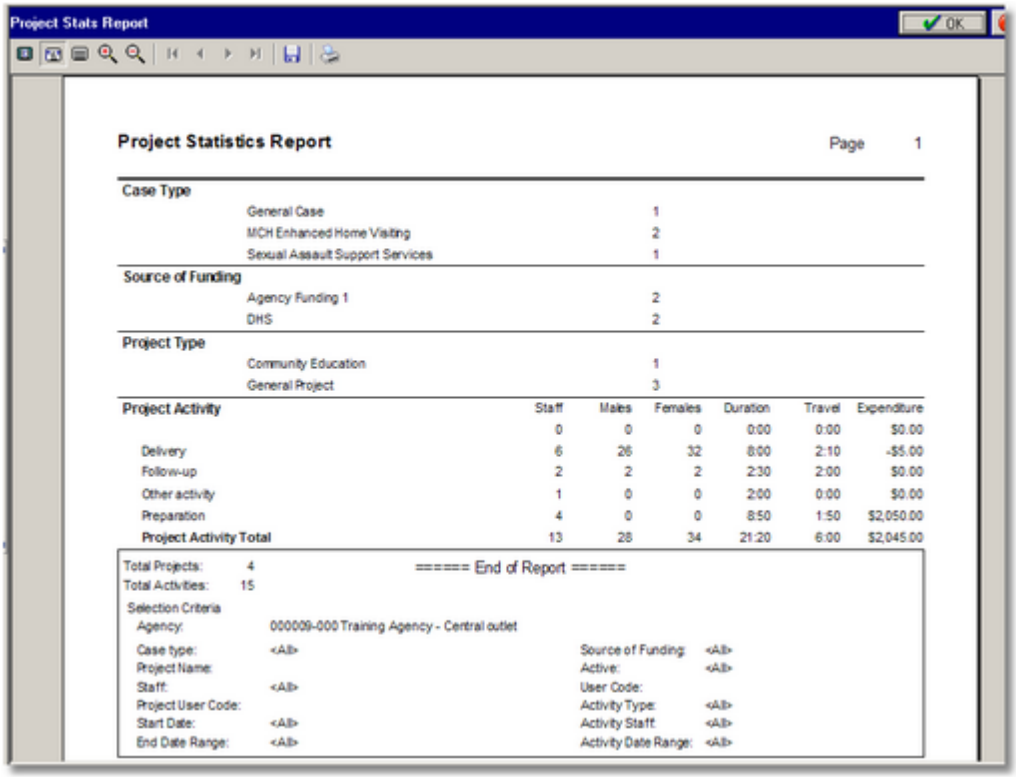
The above screen shows the filters that are available to customize the selection criteria.

There are two reports available; **Details** and **Statistics**. The **Details** report lists the selected projects in detail. The **Statistics** report provides some basic statistical information on the data selected.

3.3.1.1 Sample Project Statistics Report

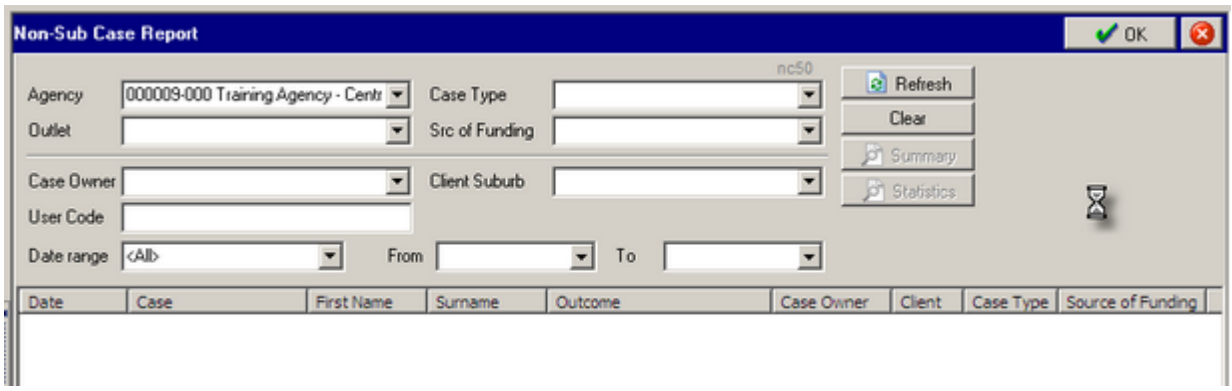
1. Select **Report** then **Projects** from the drop down menu at the top of the screen.
2. Click on the **Refresh** button.
3. Select either **Details** or **Statistics** button. The report will appear on the screen like a Print Preview. To print, select the printer icon from the top of the screen and the report will print to your default printer.

A sample Statistics report is shown below.



3.3.2 Non-Sub Cases

Select **Report > Non Sub Cases** from the main menu to open the **Non Sub Case Report Selection** (nc50) window:



The above screen shows the filters that are available to customize the selection criteria.

There are two reports available; **Summary** and **Statistics**.

- The Summary Report lists the selected **non-sub cases** in detail, including notes.
- The Statistics Report provides some basic statistical information on the data selected.

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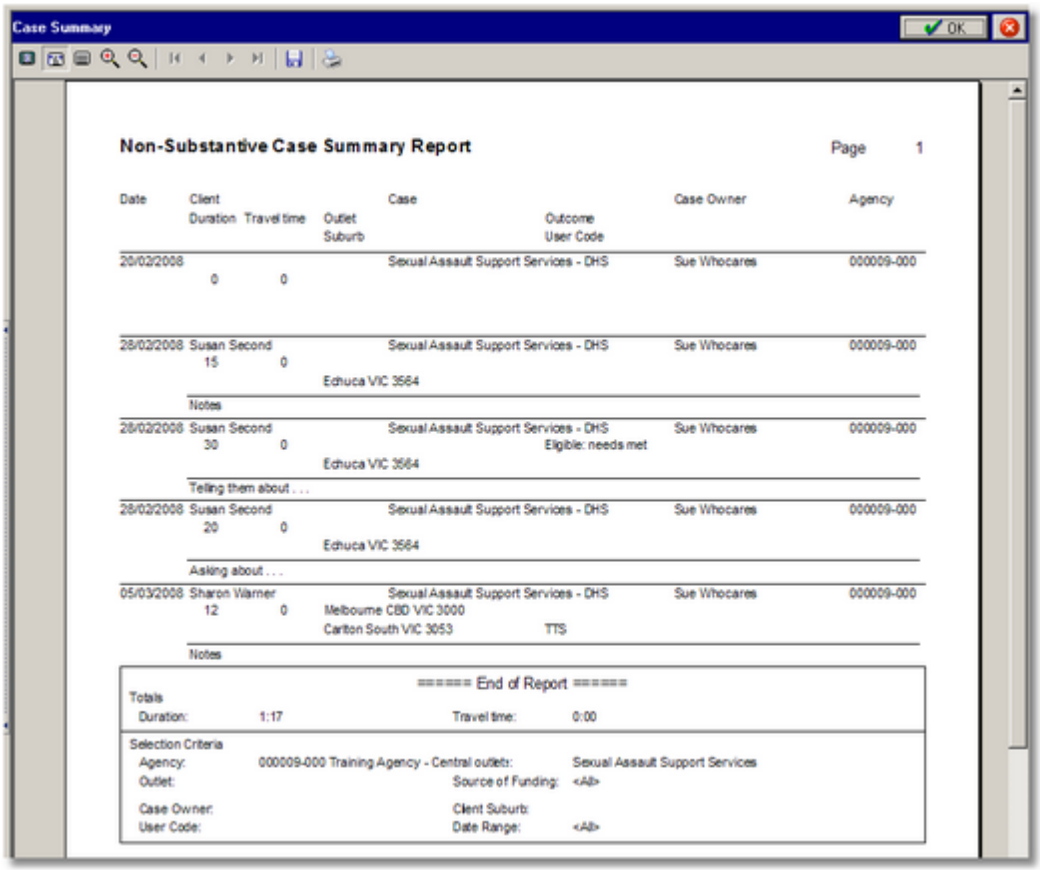
3.3.2.1 Sample NSC Summary Report

1. Select **Report** then **Non-Sub Cases** from the drop down menu at the top of the screen.

2. Click on the **Refresh** button.

3. Select the **Summary** button. The report will appear on the screen like a Print Preview. To print, select the printer icon from the top of the screen and the report will print to your default printer.

A sample NSC Summary report is shown below.


Case Summary
OK
Non-Substantive Case Summary Report
Page 1
Date Client Duration Travel time Outlet Suburb Case Outcome User Code Case Owner Agency
20/02/2008 Sexual Assault Support Services - DHS Sue Whocares 000009-000
0 0
28/02/2008 Susan Second Sexual Assault Support Services - DHS Sue Whocares 000009-000
15 0
Echuca VIC 3564
Notes
28/02/2008 Susan Second Sexual Assault Support Services - DHS Sue Whocares 000009-000
30 0 Eligible: needs met
Echuca VIC 3564
Telling them about . . .
28/02/2008 Susan Second Sexual Assault Support Services - DHS Sue Whocares 000009-000
20 0
Echuca VIC 3564
Asking about . . .
05/03/2008 Sharon Warner Sexual Assault Support Services - DHS Sue Whocares 000009-000
12 0 Melbourne CBD VIC 3000
Carlton South VIC 3053 TTS
Notes
====== End of Report ======
Totals
Duration: 1:17 Travel time: 0:00
Selection Criteria
Agency: 000009-000 Training Agency - Central Outlet: Sexual Assault Support Services
Outlet: Source of Funding: <All>
Case Owner: Client Suburb:
User Code: Date Range: <All>

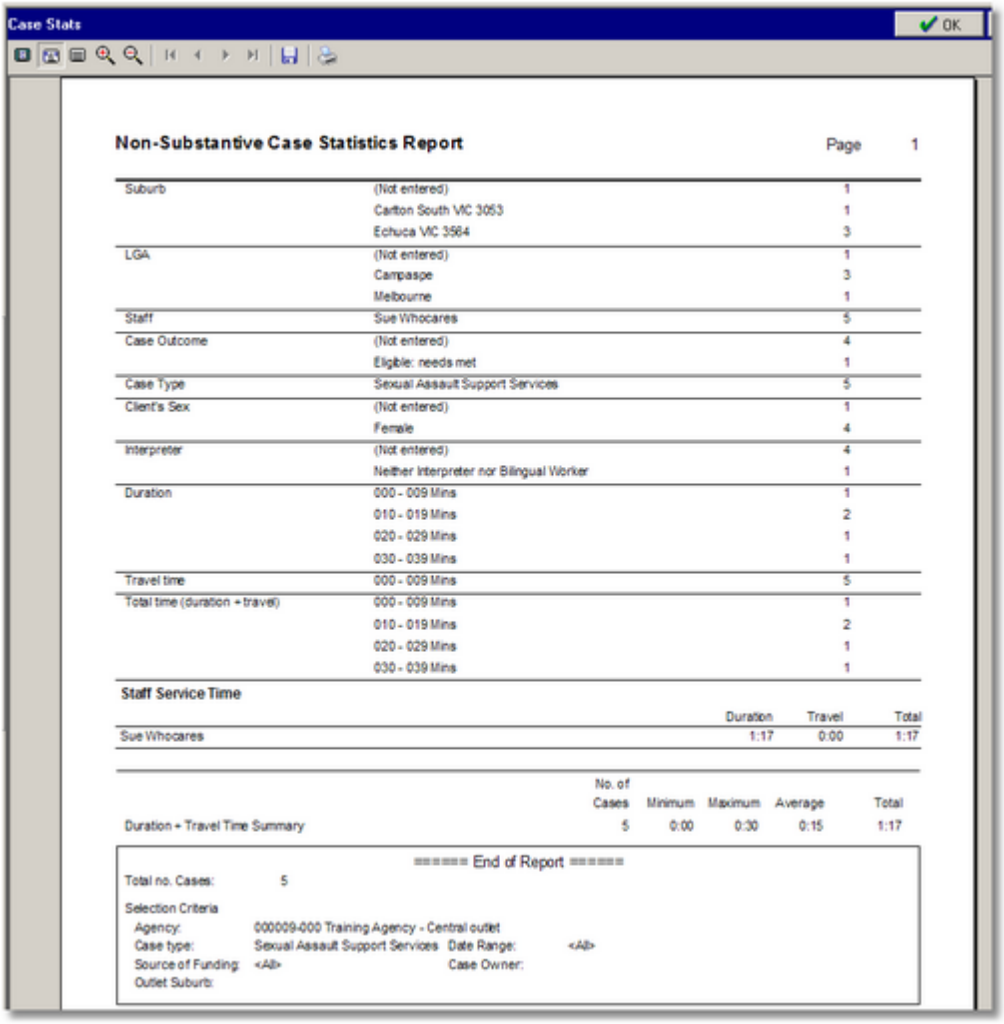
3.3.2.2 Sample NSC Statistics Report

1. Select **Report** then **Non-Sub Cases** from the drop down menu at the top of the screen.

2. Click on the **Refresh** button.

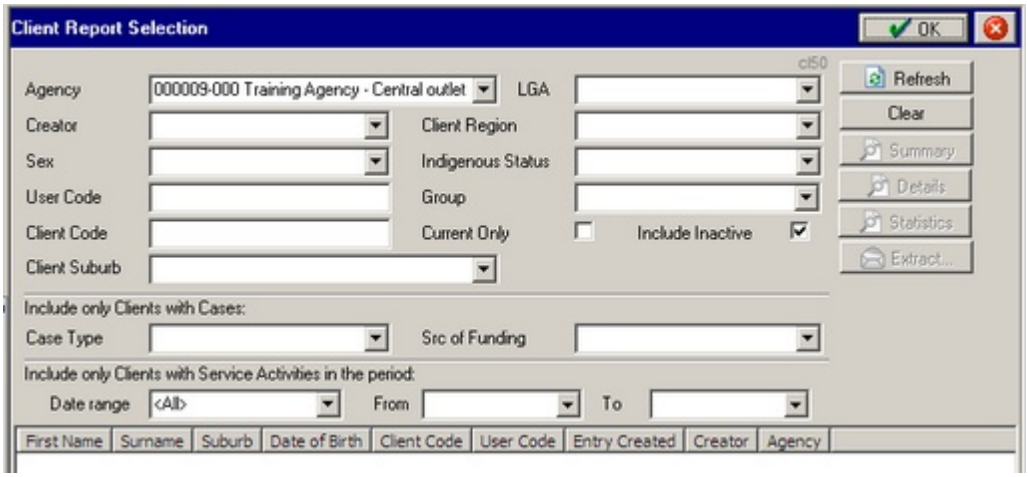
3. Select the **Statistics** button. The report will appear on the screen like a Print Preview. To print, select the printer icon from the top of the screen and the report will print to your default printer.

A sample NSC Statistics report is shown below.


Case Stats
OK
Non-Substantive Case Statistics Report
Page 1
Suburb (Not entered) 1
Carlton South VIC 3053 1
Echuca VIC 3564 3
LGA (Not entered) 1
Campaspe 3
Melbourne 1
Staff Sue Whocares 5
Case Outcome (Not entered) 4
Eligible: needs met 1
Case Type Sexual Assault Support Services 5
Client's Sex (Not entered) 1
Female 4
Interpreter (Not entered) 4
Neither Interpreter nor Bilingual Worker 1
Duration 000 - 009 Mins 1
010 - 019 Mins 2
020 - 029 Mins 1
030 - 039 Mins 1
Travel time 000 - 009 Mins 5
Total time (duration + travel) 000 - 009 Mins 1
010 - 019 Mins 2
020 - 029 Mins 1
030 - 039 Mins 1
Staff Service Time
Duration Travel Total
Sue Whocares 1:17 0:00 1:17
No. of Cases Minimum Maximum Average Total
Duration + Travel Time Summary 5 0:00 0:30 0:15 1:17
====== End of Report ======
Total no. Cases: 5
Selection Criteria
Agency: 000009-000 Training Agency - Central outlet
Case type: Sexual Assault Support Services Date Range: <All>
Source of Funding: <All> Case Owner:
Outlet Suburb:

3.3.3 Clients

Select **Reports > Clients** from the main menu to open the **Client Report Selection** (cl50) window:



Clients can be queried to provide summary, detailed and statistical reports.

1. Select one or more items (eg. Agency, Staff, Sex, etc) to filter the list of clients you require.
2. Press the **Refresh** button. The list will be reloaded with clients that meet your selection criterion.

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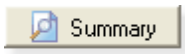
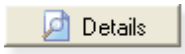
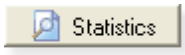
3. Select one of the three report options:



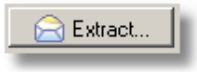
Client Summary Report



Client Details Report



Client Statistics Report

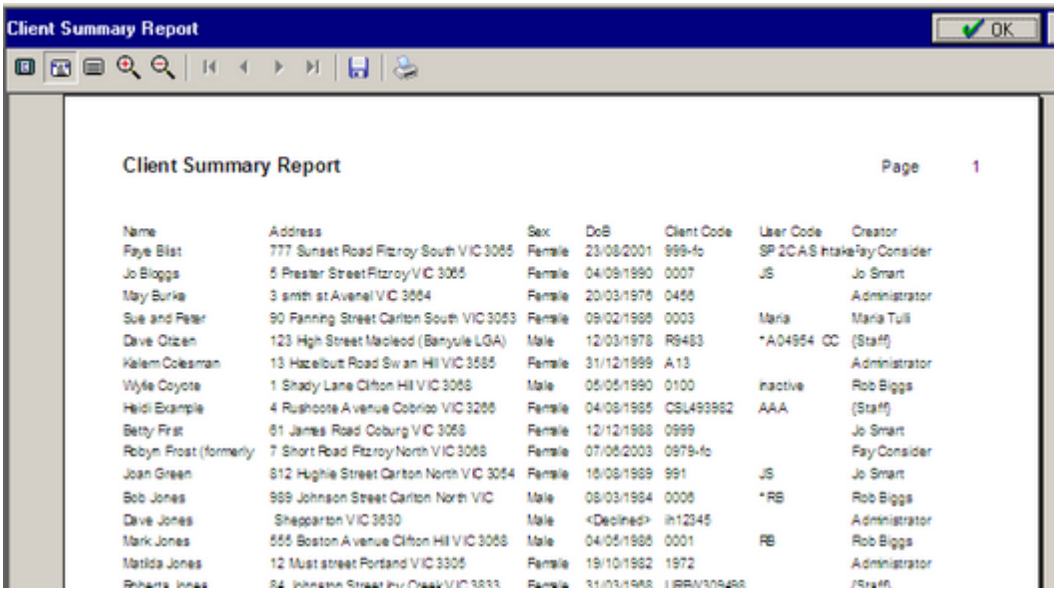


Data extract. The data Extract' option will produce a CSV file which can be directly imported into a spreadsheet application.

4. Press **Clear** to start over

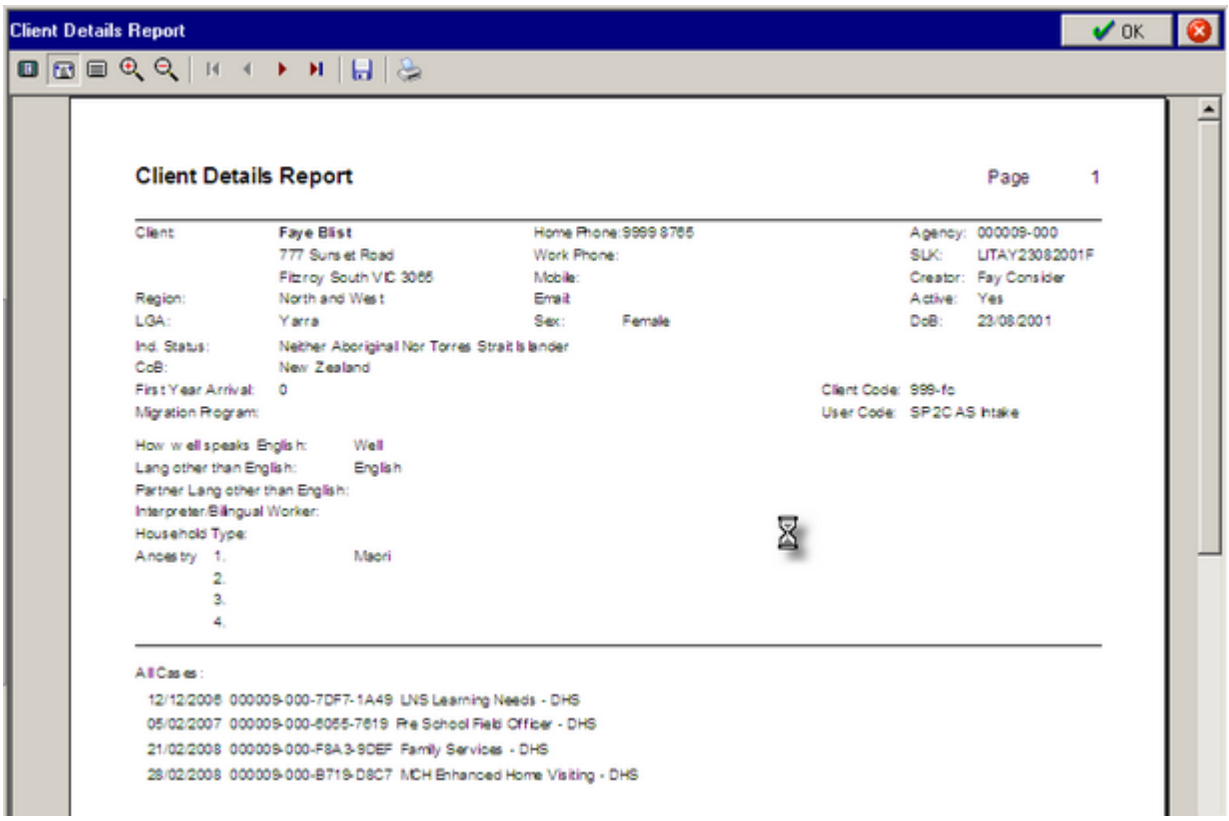
3.3.3.1 Client Summary Report

The Client Summary Report (rp01) provides a single line entry for each of the selected clients.


Client Summary Report
OK
Client Summary Report
Page 1
Name Address Sex DoB Client Code User Code Creator
Faye Blist 777 Sunset Road Fitzroy South VIC 3065 Female 23/08/2001 999-fo SP 2CAS Intake Fay Consider
Jo Bloggs 5 Prester Street Fitzroy VIC 3065 Female 04/09/1990 0007 JS Jo Smart
May Burke 3 smith st Avenel VIC 3664 Female 20/03/1976 0456 Administrator
Sue and Peter 90 Fanning Street Carlton South VIC 3053 Female 09/02/1966 0003 Maria Maria Tuli
Dave Citizen 123 High Street Macleod (Banyule LGA) Male 12/03/1978 R9483 *A04954 CC (Staff)
Kalem Coleman 13 Hazelbutt Road Swan Hill VIC 3585 Female 31/12/1999 A13 Administrator
Wyle Coyote 1 Shady Lane Clifton Hill VIC 3068 Male 05/05/1990 0100 inactive Rob Biggs
Heidi Example 4 Rushcote Avenue Cobrico VIC 3266 Female 04/08/1985 CSL493962 AAA (Staff)
Betty First 61 James Road Coburg VIC 3058 Female 12/12/1968 0999 Jo Smart
Robyn Frost (formerly 7 Short Road Fitzroy North VIC 3068 Female 07/06/2003 0979-fo Fay Consider
Joan Green 812 Highie Street Carlton North VIC 3054 Female 16/08/1969 991 JS Jo Smart
Bob Jones 989 Johnson Street Carlton North VIC Male 08/03/1964 0006 *RB Rob Biggs
Dave Jones Shepparton VIC 3630 Male <Declined> ih12345 Administrator
Mark Jones 555 Boston Avenue Clifton Hill VIC 3068 Male 04/05/1966 0001 RB Rob Biggs
Matilda Jones 12 Must street Portland VIC 3305 Female 19/10/1982 1972 Administrator

3.3.3.2 Client Details Report

The Client Details Report (rp02) provides a detailed description of each of the selected clients and a listing of their cases.



3.3.3.3 Client Statistics Report

The Client Statistics Report (rp03) provides a totals of a number of client properties and demographics:

- Sex
- Language other than English
- How well speaks English
- Country of Birth
- Bilingual Worker
- Indigenous Status
- Suburb
- LGA
- Case Type
- Age Group

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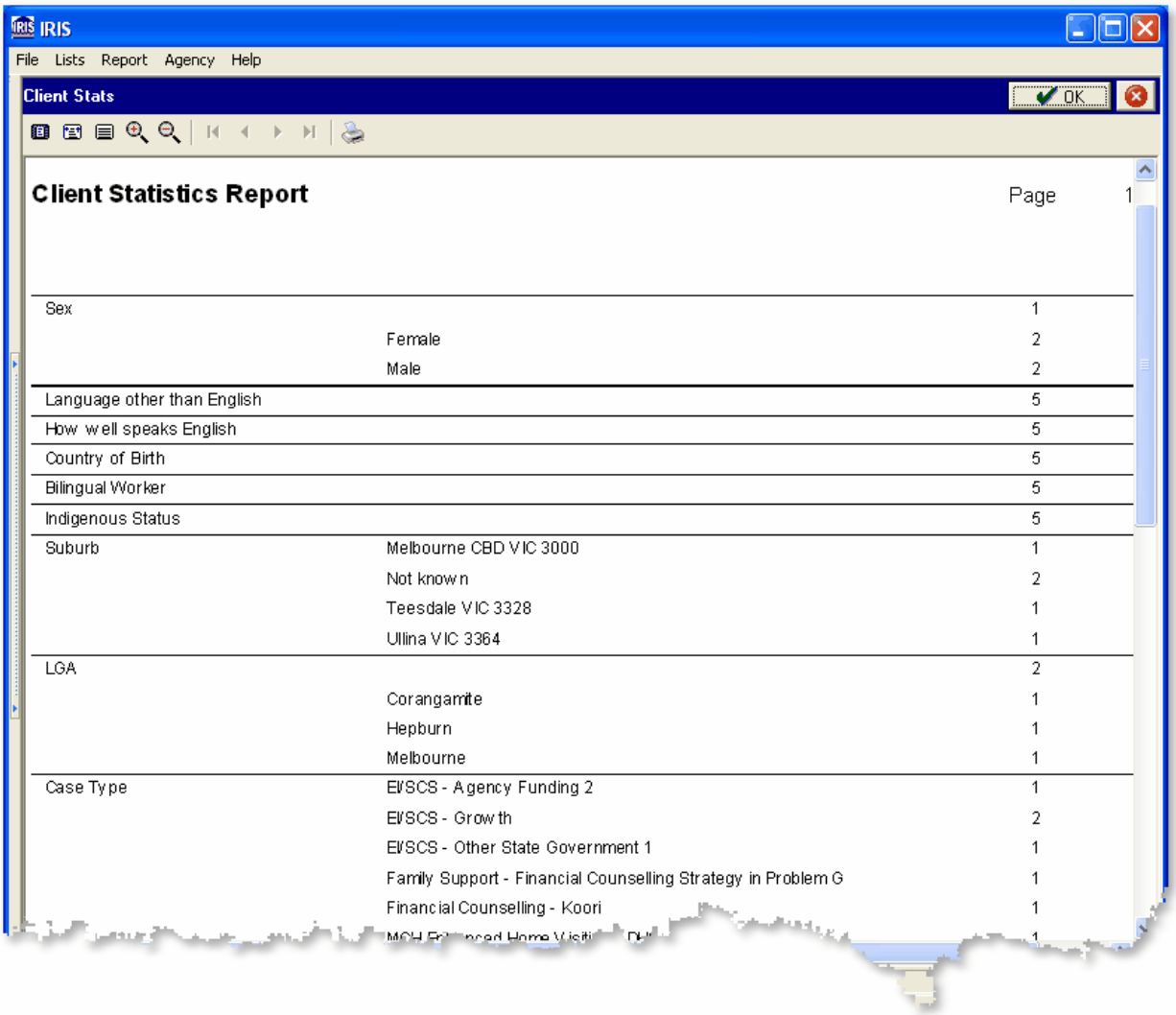

3.3.3.4 Sample Client Reports

This section describes how to produce some common client-based reports.

3.3.3.4.1 Create a client summary extract for a mail merge.

1. Select **Reports** then **Clients** from drop down menu at the top of the screen.

Note: Reports on one or a group of clients can be obtained using the filter fields above the list of clients.

2. Click on **Refresh** button.

3. Select the **Extract...** button. The "Save As" dialog box will appear.

4. Select where you would like to save the document and give your document a meaningful name. Click on the **Save** button.

5. Confirmation message appears asking if you would like to view the document you just created. The document will be saved and will open as a spreadsheet. If you would like to view the document, select the **Yes** button. If not, select the **No** button then the document will be saved and not opened. You may now use this document in a mail merge. (For assistance with Mail Merge in your word processing package, go to the online help and do a search for "mail merge" then follow the detailed instructions).

3.3.3.4.2 Print out reports about subgroups of your clients.

1. Determine acronyms for your subgroups. For example, if you wanted to run reports on "Teen Mums", your acronym might be TM.

2. One at a time, open your clients that are in this subgroup (refer to "Clients & Cases - Step by Step" if you need assistance).

3. In **User Code** field on **Client Details** screen, type in your acronym, eg. TM (for Teen Mum).

4. Select **OK** button.

5. Repeat this for all your clients that fit this subgroup.

6. Select **Report** then **Clients**.

7. In **User Code** field, type your acronym as per above (eg. TM).

8. Select **Refresh** button.

9. Select **Statistics** button. The report will appear on your screen in print preview mode. To print to your printer, select the print icon at the top of the screen. The report will print to your default printer.

3.3.3.4.3 Print statistical demographic information about one or a group of clients

1. Select **Reports** then **Clients** from drop down menu at the top of the screen.

Note: Reports on one or a group of clients can be obtained using the filter fields above the list of clients.

2. Click on **Refresh** button.

3. Select the **Statistics** button. The **Clients Statistics Report** will appear on the screen. To print, select the printer icon at the top of the screen and the report will print to your default printer.

3.3.3.4.4 Print complete details of an individual client

1. Select **Reports** then **Clients** from drop down menu at the top of the screen.

Note: Reports on one or a group of clients can be obtained using the filter fields above the list of clients.

2. Click on **Refresh** button.

3. Select the **Details** button. The **Clients Details Report** will appear on the screen. To **print**, select the print icon at the top of the screen and the report will print to your default printer.

3.3.3.4.5 Print a list of clients

1. Select **Reports** then **Clients** from drop down menu at the top of the screen.

Note: Reports on one or a group of clients can be obtained using the filter fields above the list of clients.

2. Click on **Refresh** button.

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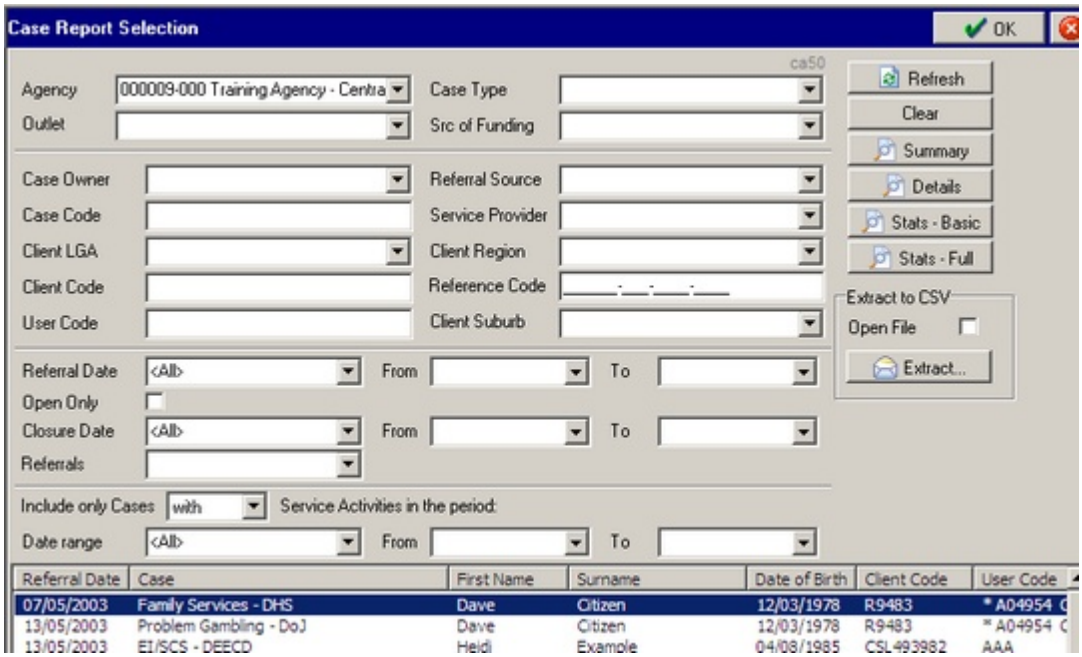
3. Select the **Summary** button. The **Clients Summary Report** will appear on the screen. To print, select the printer icon at the top of the screen and the report will print to your default printer.

3.3.4 Cases

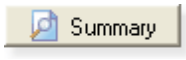
Select **Reports > Cases** from the main menu to open the **Case Report Selection** (ca50) window:



Cases can be queried to provide summary, detailed and statistical reports.

Tip: When the Service Activities range is used, the reports will only analyse the services applicable for the window selected. If it is blank then all services for the cases selected will be presented.

1. Select one or more items (eg. Agency, Case Type, etc) to filter the list of cases required.
2. Press the **Refresh** button. The list will be reloaded with cases that meet the selection criterion.
3. Select one of the three report options:



Case Summary Report

Case Details Report

Case Statistics (Basic & Full) Report

4. Press **Clear** to start over

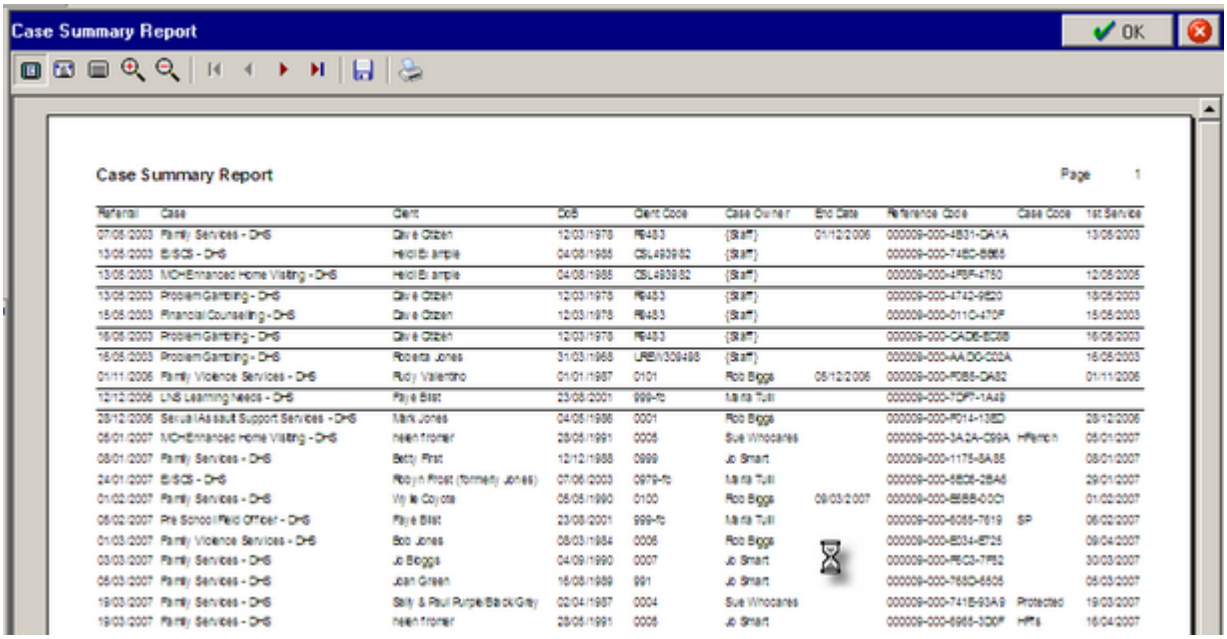
The Extract to CSV option is used to produce a spreadsheet based on the case summary information.

Tip: When the Case Type filter is selected for a particular case type, the extra case

specific data items (if any) are included in the report.

3.3.4.1 Case Summary Report

The Case Summary Report (rp11) provides a short summary of each of the selected cases.



This report contains a data subset of the CSV report described above in Cases.

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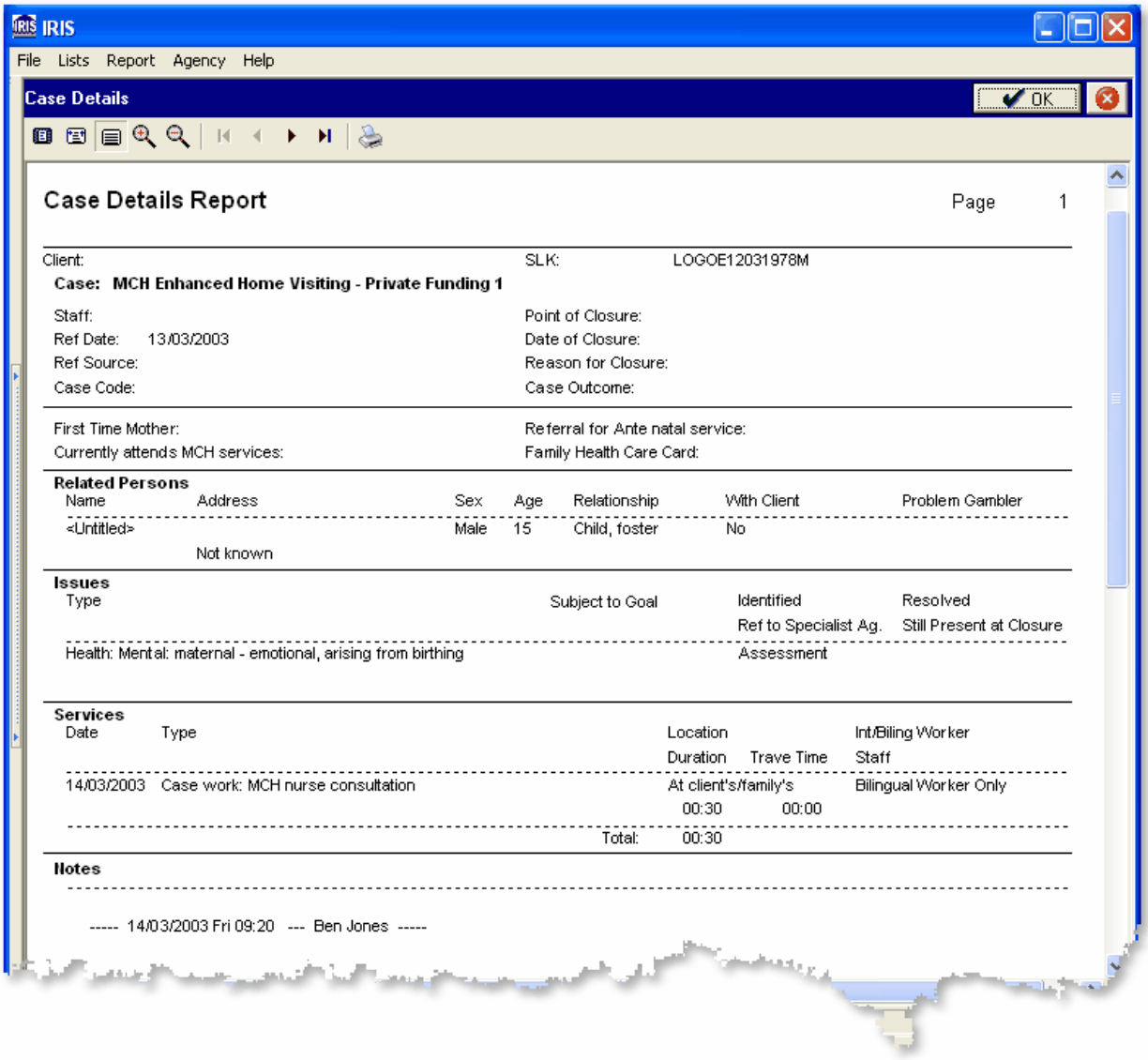
3.3.4.2 Case Detail Report

The Case Details Report (rp12) provides a detailed description (one to a page) of each of the selected cases.



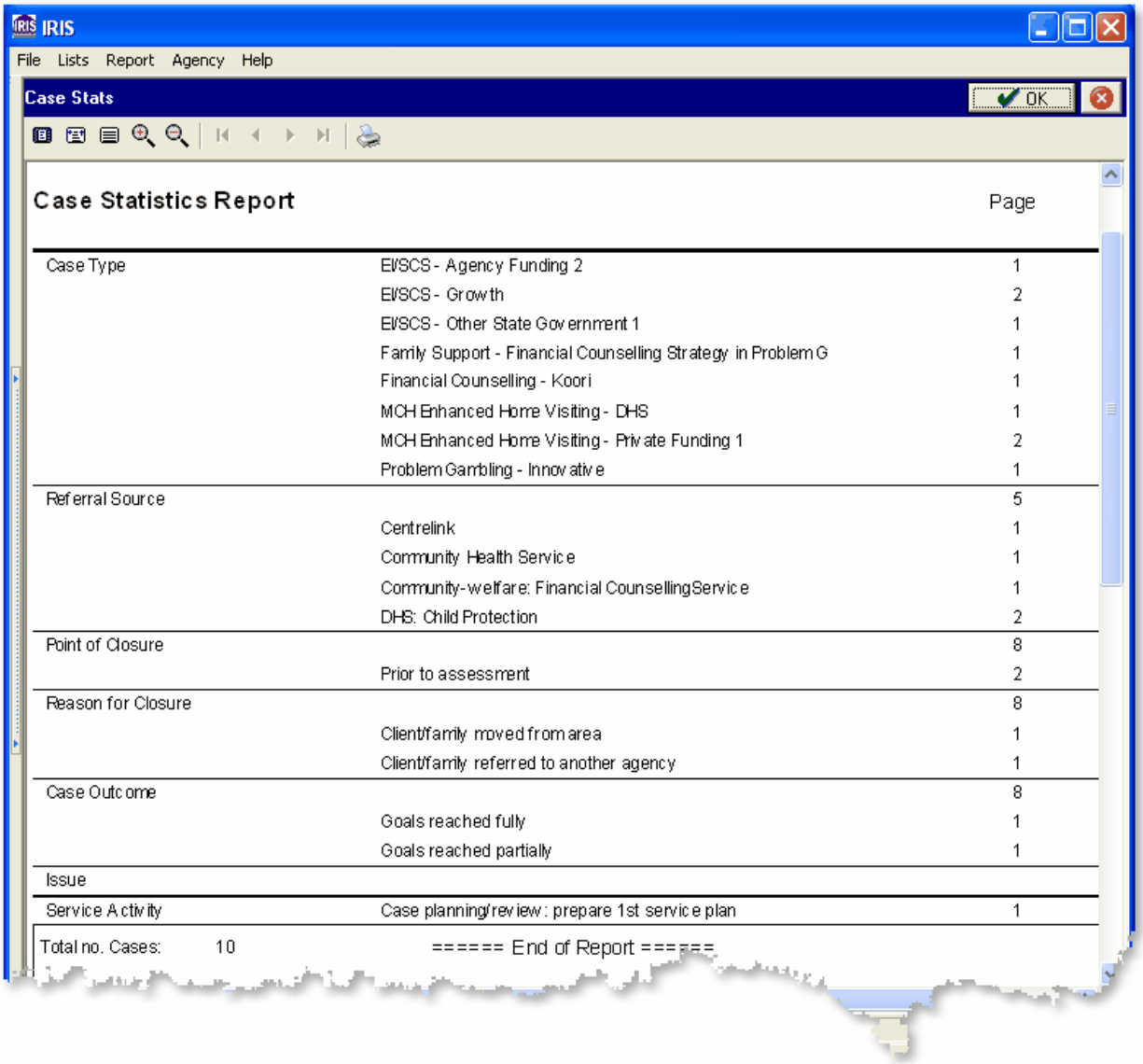
3.3.4.3 Case Statistics Report

The Case Statistics Reports (rp13) are available in basic and full statistics reports.

The basic stats report summarizes and catalogues a number of cases properties:

- Case Type
- Referral Source
- Point of Closure
- Reason for Closure
- Case Outcome
- Issue
- Service Activity

The full stats provides the above as well as information on service delivery performance. The full stats report is shown below.


IRIS
File Lists Report Agency Help
Case Stats
OK
Case Statistics Report
Page
Case Type
EI/SCS - Agency Funding 2 1
EI/SCS - Growth 2
EI/SCS - Other State Government 1 1
Family Support - Financial Counselling Strategy in Problem G 1
Financial Counselling - Koori 1
MCH Enhanced Home Visiting - DHS 1
MCH Enhanced Home Visiting - Private Funding 1 2
Problem Gambling - Innovative 1
Referral Source 5
Centrelink 1
Community Health Service 1
Community-welfare: Financial CounsellingService 1
DHS: Child Protection 2
Point of Closure 8
Prior to assessment 2
Reason for Closure 8
Client/family moved from area 1
Client/family referred to another agency 1
Case Outcome 8
Goals reached fully 1
Goals reached partially 1
Issue
Service Activity Case planning/review: prepare 1st service plan 1
Total no. Cases: 10
====== End of Report ======

3.3.4.4 Referal Based Report

The cases report filter screen (Cases) will also provide the above reports but from an intake (lead) agency or partner(sub) agency. The two key filters to use are the Agency and the Is Referrals checkbox.

The agency code filter is used to select the agency that is of interest. For example, an intake agency would use this filter to report on a specific partner agency.

The Referrals Only checkbox is used to select all cases that are referrals.

3.3.4.5 Sample Cases Reports

This section describes how to produce some common case-based reports.

3.3.4.5.1 Print out case notes

Note:Case Notes cannot be printed on their own directly from IRIS.

1. On the **Case Notes** screen, highlight some or all of the notes that you want to print. Copy this selection to your clipboard (Ctrl + c).

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2. Open a new Word document and paste the notes (Ctrl + v). The notes can be printed by clicking on the print button (or Ctrl + p). The file will print to your default printer.

3.3.4.5.2 Print a list of cases

1. Select **Reports** then **Cases** from drop down menu at the top of the screen.

Note: Reports on one or a group of cases can be obtained using the filter fields above the list of cases.

2. Click on **Refresh** button.

3. Select the **Summary** button. The **Case Summary Report** will appear on the screen. To print, select the printer icon at the top of the screen and the report will print to your default printer.

3.3.4.5.3 Complete details of an individual case

1. Select **Reports** then **Cases** from drop down menu at the top of the screen.

Note: Reports on one or a group of cases can be obtained using the filter fields above the list of cases.

2. Click on **Refresh** button.

3. Select the **Details** button. The **Case Details Report** will appear on the screen. To print, select the printer icon at the top of the screen and the report will print to your default printer.

3.3.4.5.4 Work that a particular staff member has done

1. Select **Reports** then **Cases** from drop down menu at the top of the screen.

2. Select **Name** from **Service Provider** field (Service Provider is the person who provided the service to the client.)

Note: When a service is being keyed into the Service screens, the Service Provider field defaults to the person's name who is keying the information in, based on their IRIS login ID).

3. Select the **Refresh** button.

4. Select **Statistics** button.

5. Go to the end of the report using the Last page icon at the top of the IRIS screen (it looks like a right pointing triangle with a line next to it).

6. Look for the last line of the report that says "Service Activity – Summary of Total Time". Across to the right there is "Total Time", "Total Travel" and "Total Hours".

3.3.4.5.5 Work done for a client

1. Select **Report** then **Cases**.
2. In **Client Code** field, type the unique code for your client
3. Select **Refresh** button.
4. Select **Statistics** button.
5. Go to the end of the report using the Last page icon at the top of the IRIS screen (it looks like a right pointing triangle with a line next to it).
6. Look for the last line of the report that says "Service Activity – Summary of Total Time". Across to the right there is "Total Time", "Total Travel" and "Total Hours".

3.3.4.5.6 List the issues of the cases from your agency

1. Select **Report** then **Case**.
2. Select **Refresh** button.
3. Select **Statistics** button.
4. Arrow through **Case Statistics Report** screen using the **Next Page** button at the top of the IRIS screen until you see the heading "**Issue**". This section shows the types of issues and a count of each issue type.

3.3.4.5.7 Total work your agency has done for all cases in a particular time period

1. Select **Report** then **Cases**.
2. Change **Date Range** or **From** and **To** fields in **Include Only Cases with Service Activities in the Period** field.
3. Select **Refresh** button.
4. Select **Statistics** button.
5. Go to the end of the report using the last page icon at the top of the IRIS screen (it looks like a right pointing triangle with a line next to it).
6. Look for the last line of the report that says "Service Activity – Summary of Total Time". Across to the right there is "Total Time", "Total Travel" and "Total Hours".

3.3.4.5.8 Work your agency has done for a particular time period based on case code filter

1. Open the case for your client (refer to "Clients & Cases - Step by Step" if you need assistance).
2. In **Case Code** field on **Case Details** screen, type in a unique code (eg client's name, today's date, etc).
3. Select **OK** button twice.
4. Select **Report** then **Cases**.

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5. In **Case Code** field, type your unique code as per above.

6. Change **Date Range** or **From** and **To** fields in **Include Only Cases with Service Activities in the Period** field.

7. Select **Refresh** button.

8. Select **Statistics** button.

9. Go to the end of the report using the Last page icon at the top of the IRIS screen (it looks like a right pointing triangle with a line next to it).

10. Look for the last line of the report that says "Service Activity – Summary of Total Time". Across to the right there is "Total Time", "Total Travel" and "Total Hours".

3.3.4.5.9 Summary history of services provided to a particular case

1. Select **Report** then **Case**. The **Report Selection** screen will appear.

2. To produce a full summary history of services you must enter a date range in the field **Include only Cases with Service Activities in the period**.

3. Select **Refresh** button.

4. Select **Details** button.

5. To view summary history information, scroll to bottom of client's case page. It will show the following information:

   - Total hours of service for both Duration and Travel Time for selected time period; and
   - Total hours of service for both Duration and Travel time for selected time period PLUS total hours of service the client received for time prior to selected time period; and
   - Total time that client received for this case regardless of the time period selected.

3.3.4.5.10 Print out subgroups of your case type

1. Determine acronyms for your subgroups. For example, if you wanted to run reports on "Teen Mums", your acronym might be TM.

2. One at a time, open the case for your clients that are in this subgroup (refer to "Clients & Cases - Step by Step" if you need assistance).

3. In **Case Code** field on **Case Details** screen, type in your acronym, eg. TM (for Teen Mum).

4. Select **OK** button twice.

5. Repeat this for all your clients that fit this subgroup.

6. Select **Report** then **Cases**.

7. In **Case Code** field, type your acronym as per above (eg. TM).

8. Select **Refresh** button.

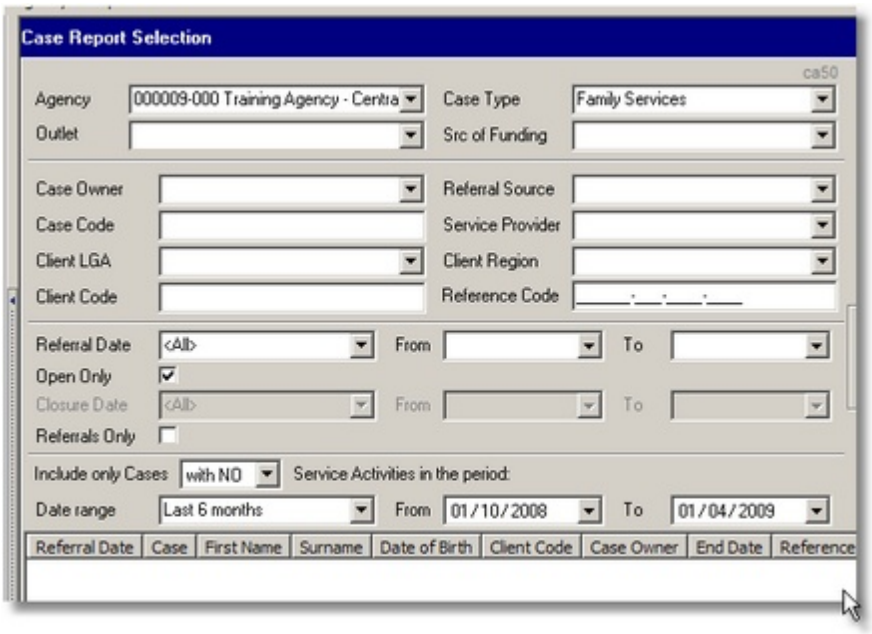
9. Select **Statistics** button. The report will appear on your screen in print preview mode. To print, select the printer icon at the top of the screen. The report will print to your default printer.

3.3.4.5.11 Finding current & dormant cases

This report is used to check which currently open cases have had/had NO services over a certain period. It is particularly useful for locating open cases that are dormant.

1. Select **Reports** then **Cases** from drop down menu at the top of the screen. Select the 'Case Type', 'Open Only' checkbox, and 'Include only Cases 'withNO' Service Activities in the period' and the period of interest as shown below.

   The selection illustrated below will find all currently open Family Service cases that have had no services added for the past 6 months.



2. Click on **Refresh** button.

3. Select the **Summary** button. The **Case Summary Report** will appear on the screen. To print, select the printer icon at the top of the screen and the report will print to your default printer.

3.3.5 Throughput

The Throughput report is used to create a report that shows what cases have been opened and closed during a selected period of time.

1. Select **Report** then **Case Throughput** from the drop down menu.

2. Select **Refresh** button. All cases on your database will be displayed that were open, opened or closed in the last quarter.

3. If you wish, you can select the case type and/or change the date range you are interested in. Select **Refresh** button again.

4. Select **Throughput** button. Throughput report will appear on screen.

5. Note: the Throughput report also shows information about Projects and Non-Substantive Cases for the selected date range.

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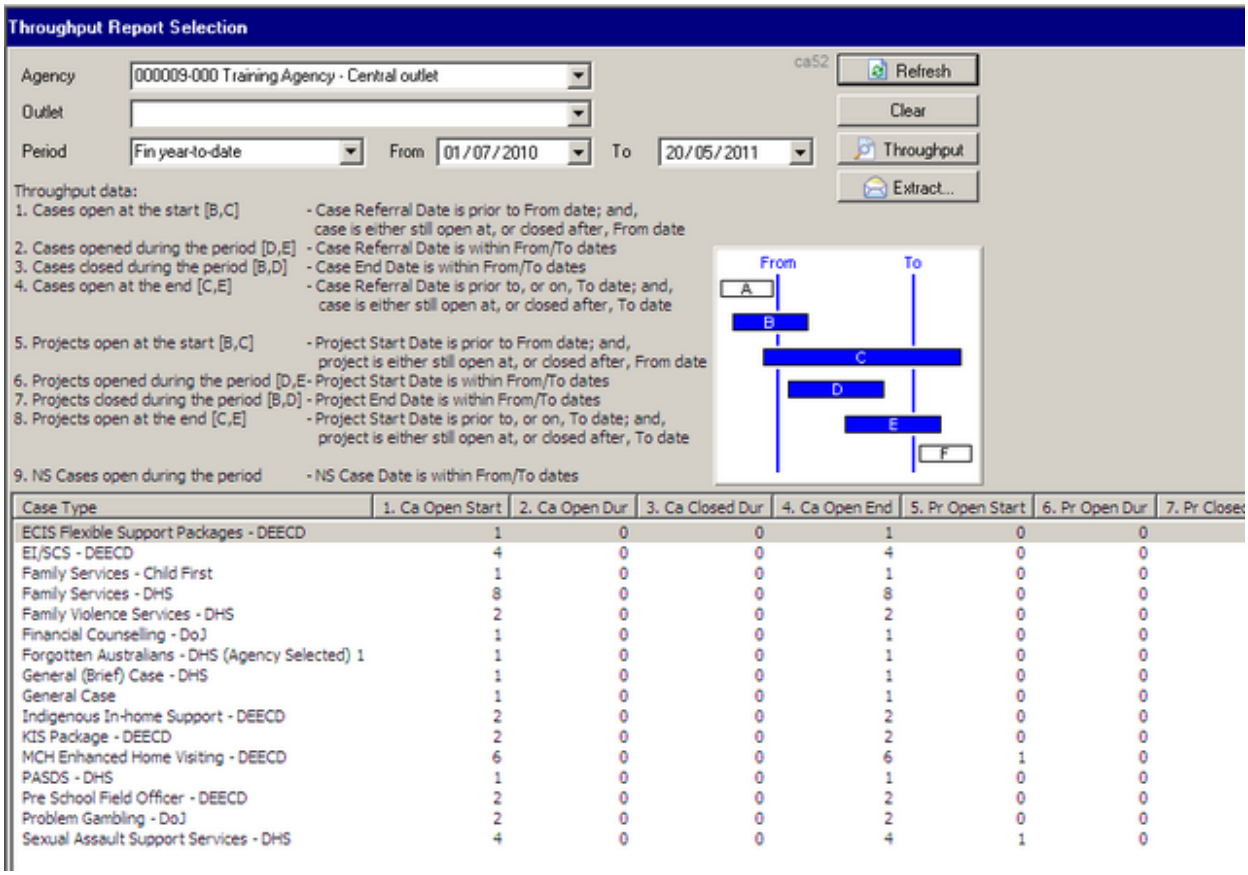
A sample report is shown below.


Throughput Report Selection
Agency
000009-000 Training Agency - Central outlet
Outlet
Period
Fin year-to-date
From
01/07/2010
To
20/05/2011
Refresh
Clear
Throughput
Extract...
Throughput data:
1. Cases open at the start [B,C]
- Case Referral Date is prior to From date; and, case is either still open at, or closed after, From date
2. Cases opened during the period [D,E]
- Case Referral Date is within From/To dates
3. Cases closed during the period [B,D]
- Case End Date is within From/To dates
4. Cases open at the end [C,E]
- Case Referral Date is prior to, or on, To date; and, case is either still open at, or closed after, To date
5. Projects open at the start [B,C]
- Project Start Date is prior to From date; and, project is either still open at, or closed after, From date
6. Projects opened during the period [D,E]
- Project Start Date is within From/To dates
7. Projects closed during the period [B,D]
- Project End Date is within From/To dates
8. Projects open at the end [C,E]
- Project Start Date is prior to, or on, To date; and, project is either still open at, or closed after, To date
9. NS Cases open during the period
- NS Case Date is within From/To dates
From
To
A
B
C
D
E
F
Case Type | 1. Ca Open Start | 2. Ca Open Dur | 3. Ca Closed Dur | 4. Ca Open End | 5. Pr Open Start | 6. Pr Open Dur | 7. Pr Close
ECIS Flexible Support Packages - DEECD 1 0 0 1 0 0
EI/SCS - DEECD 4 0 0 4 0 0
Family Services - Child First 1 0 0 1 0 0
Family Services - DHS 8 0 0 8 0 0
Family Violence Services - DHS 2 0 0 2 0 0
Financial Counselling - DoJ 1 0 0 1 0 0
Forgotten Australians - DHS (Agency Selected) 1 1 0 0 1 0 0
General (Brief) Case - DHS 1 0 0 1 0 0
General Case 1 0 0 1 0 0
Indigenous In-home Support - DEECD 2 0 0 2 0 0
KIS Package - DEECD 2 0 0 2 0 0
MCH Enhanced Home Visiting - DEECD 6 0 0 6 1 0
PASDS - DHS 1 0 0 1 0 0
Pre School Field Officer - DEECD 2 0 0 2 0 0
Problem Gambling - DoJ 2 0 0 2 0 0
Sexual Assault Support Services - DHS 4 0 0 4 1 0

3.3.5.1 Exported Data

The Throughput report is also useful to print the activities exported at the end of the quarter.

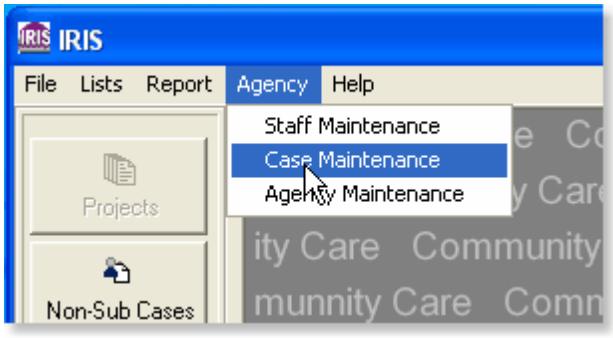
Tip: Use this report immediately after exporting data as it will then accurately reflect the database and hence the exported data at that time.

3.3.6 Program Specific

IRIS has the capacity to generate reports specifically for each program. At present there are no reports.

3.4 Agency Menu (Adminstrators only)

The **Agency** menu is accessible by users logged in at administrator level and contains:



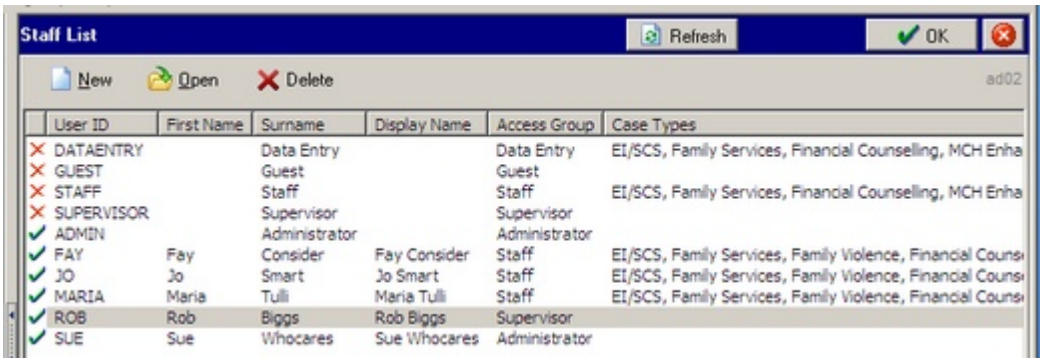
Topics on this menu:

- Staff Maintenance
- Case Maintenance
- Agency Maintenance

3.4.1 Staff Maintenance

Note: You must be an IRIS Administrator to use this feature.

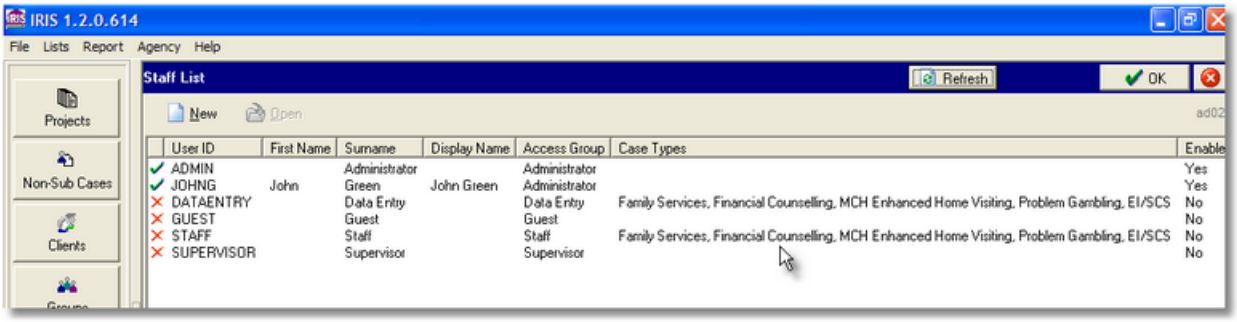
Use this window to Add or Update Staff details.


Staff List
Refresh
OK
New
Open
Delete
ad02
User ID | First Name | Surname | Display Name | Access Group | Case Types
DATAENTRY | Data Entry | Data Entry | EI/SCS, Family Services, Financial Counselling, MCH Enha
GUEST | Guest | Guest
STAFF | Staff | Staff | EI/SCS, Family Services, Financial Counselling, MCH Enha
SUPERVISOR | Supervisor | Supervisor
ADMIN | Administrator | Administrator
FAY | Fay | Consider | Fay Consider | Staff | EI/SCS, Family Services, Family Violence, Financial Couns
JO | Jo | Smart | Jo Smart | Staff | EI/SCS, Family Services, Family Violence, Financial Couns
MARIA | Maria | Tulli | Maria Tulli | Staff | EI/SCS, Family Services, Family Violence, Financial Couns
ROB | Rob | Biggs | Rob Biggs | Supervisor
SUE | Sue | Whocares | Sue Whocares | Administrator

Related Topics:
- Create Staff
- Update Staff
- Deleting Staff

3.4.1.1 Create a New Staff

Preparation:
- Select **Agency > Staff Maintenance** from the main menu to open the **Staff List** (ad02)**:**


IRIS 1.2.0.614
File Lists Report Agency Help
Projects
Non-Sub Cases
Clients
Staff List
Refresh
OK
New
Open
ad02
User ID | First Name | Surname | Display Name | Access Group | Case Types | Enable
ADMIN | Administrator | Administrator | Yes
JOHNG | John | Green | John Green | Administrator | Yes
DATAENTRY | Data Entry | Data Entry | Family Services, Financial Counselling, MCH Enhanced Home Visiting, Problem Gambling, EI/SCS | No
GUEST | Guest | Guest | No
STAFF | Staff | Staff | Family Services, Financial Counselling, MCH Enhanced Home Visiting, Problem Gambling, EI/SCS | No
SUPERVISOR | Supervisor | Supervisor | No

To create a New Staff, click the New button.

The **Staff Details** window (ad03) will open:

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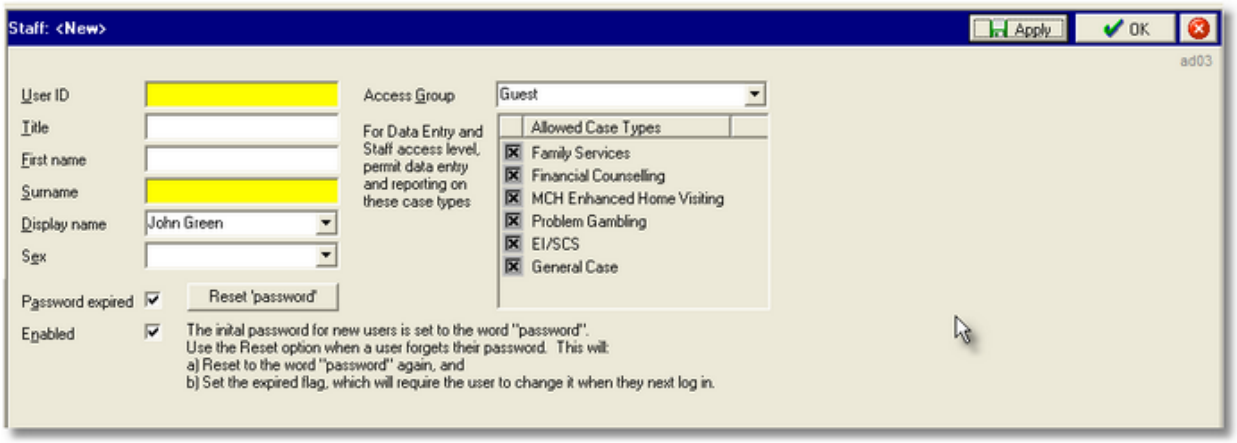
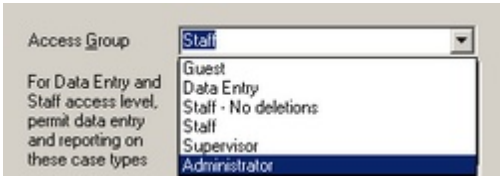


User ID
Enter a unique reference name to identify this staff entry.

Display Name
Various display name options are constructed, based on the name details provided. The selection made will be used on all of the screens to identify this staff entry.

Access Group
The following access groups are provided in IRIS:



Guest - currently has no access. Reserved for future use.
Data Entry - can add clients and cases for which they are permitted to access.
Staff - No Deletions - This is the same as Staff but deletions are not allowed. This level is recommended for inexperienced users.
Staff - can maintain clients and cases for which they are permitted to access, and perform reporting functions.
Supervisor – can see all clients and their casework and perform some administration functions (eg. Backup)
Administrator – has the authority to do all tasks, including staff, case and agency maintenance.

Password Expired
This option will prompt the staff member to change their password when they next log in.

Enabled
Indicates whether this staff entry can be used. If a staff member leaves your organisation, clearing this checkbox is synonymous to deleting the entry. Staff entries cannot be physically deleted, since they may be referenced by client and case records.

Reset Password
Pressing this button resets the user's password to "password" and sets it as expired. This is for the administrator's convenience if a staff member has forgotten their password.

When done, click the **OK** button.

Related Topics:
- Update Staff

3.4.1.2 Change Staff Settings

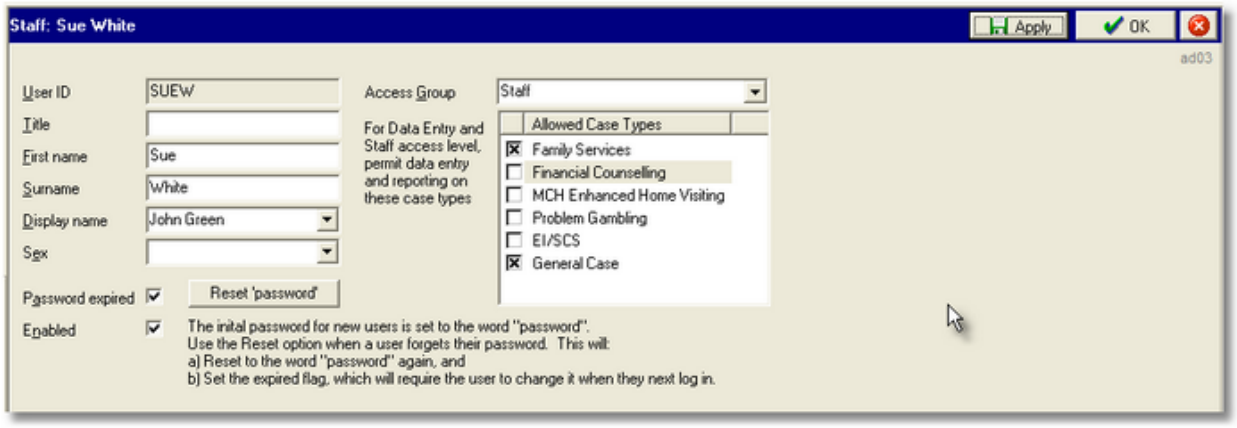
Preparation:
- Select **Agency > Staff Maintenance** from the main menu to open the **Staff List** (ad02).

To change the Login Settings for a Staff member:

1. Select the Staff you want to change, so it becomes selected (highlighted).

2. Click the **Open** button above the list.

The Staff Details window (ad03) will be shown.

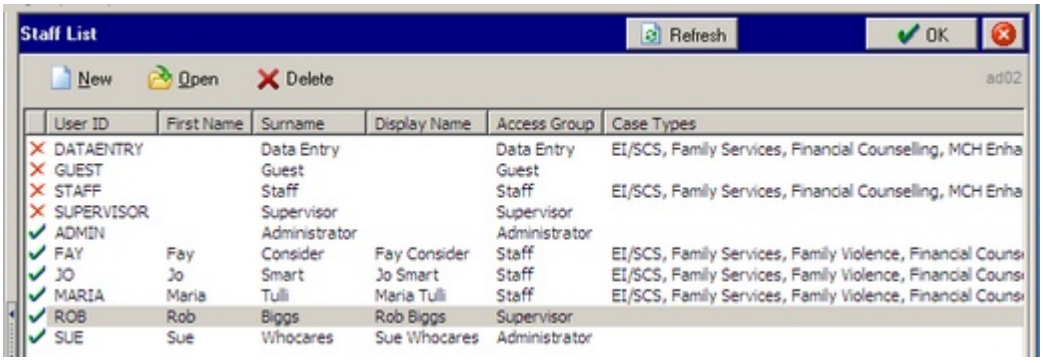


Change the details for the selected User as required. Note that for security reasons some fields (ie; User ID) cannot be modified.

Refer to Create a New Staff for field details.

3.4.1.3 Deleting Staff

In some circumstances it may be desirable to remove old staff members from the staff list. This is done by selecting the staff row and then clicking on the Delete button.



⚠ Note that only staff who have no data associated with them can be deleted. In the example below IRIS will not allow deletion of the staff member because there are 38 data items already attached.

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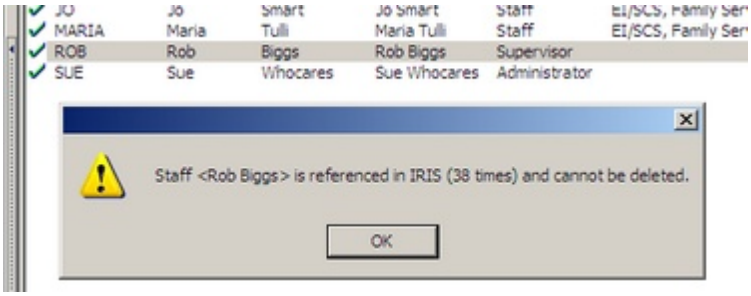

JO Jo Smart Jo Smart Staff EI/SCS, Family Ser
MARIA Maria Tulli Maria Tulli Staff EI/SCS, Family Ser
ROB Rob Biggs Rob Biggs Supervisor
SUE Sue Whocares Sue Whocares Administrator
Staff <Rob Biggs> is referenced in IRIS (38 times) and cannot be deleted.
OK

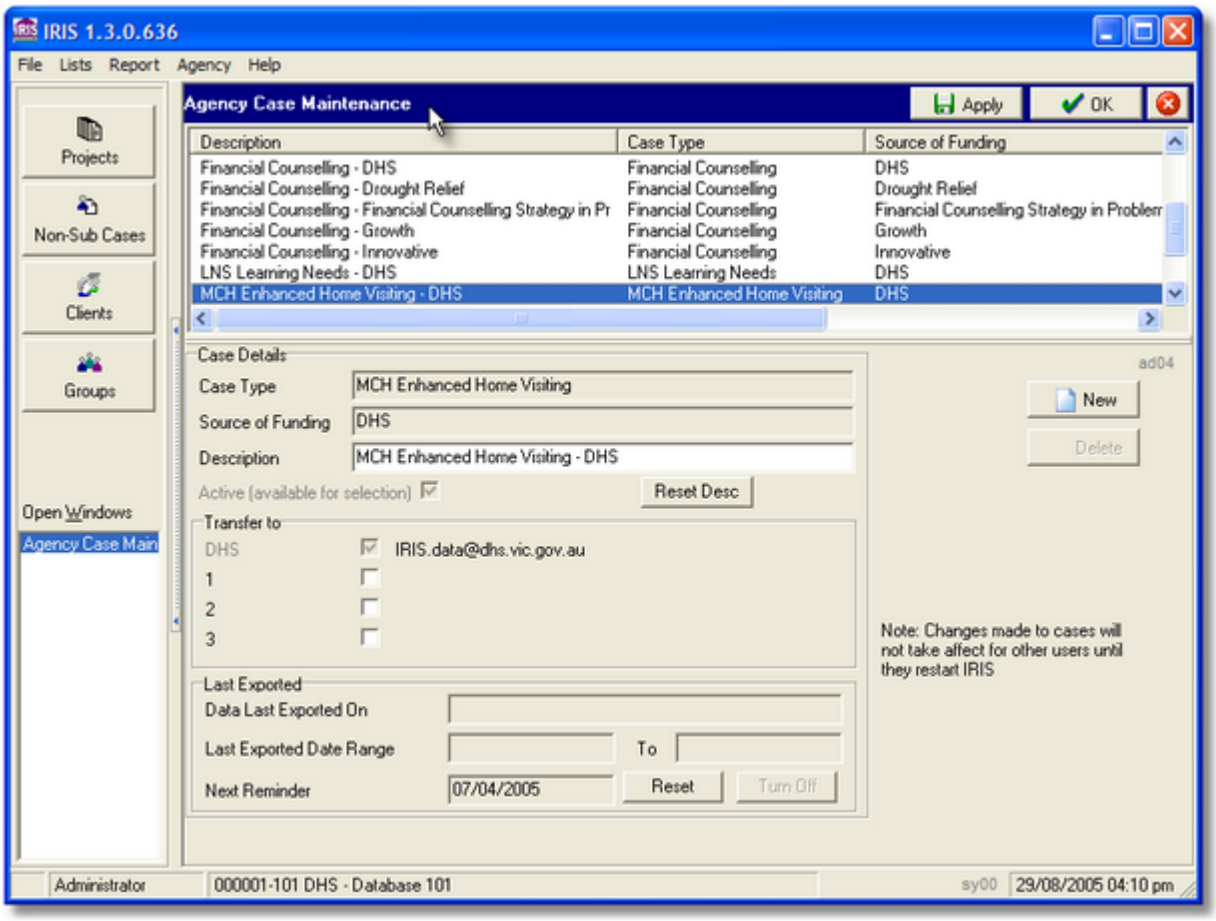
3.4.2 Case Type Maintenance

Note: You must be an IRIS Administrator to use this feature.

All case types consist of the case or program type (eg; financial counselling, family services) in combination with a source of funding. The combination of these two define the case type.

The case types are preset for department-funded types and you cannot alter them. However if you wish to add or alter your agency's own case-funding types then the following procedure is used.

Preparation:
Select **Agency > Case Maintenance** from the main menu to open the **Case Maintenance** window (ad04).



Related Topics:

- Adding a New Case Type
- Changing Case Details
- Deleting a Case

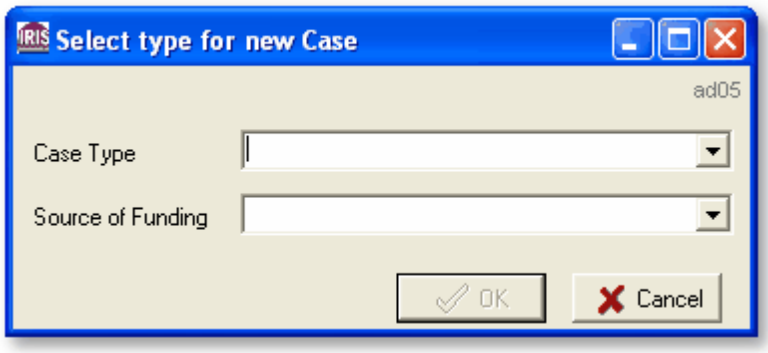
3.4.2.1 Adding a New Case Type

Preparation:
- Select **Agency > Case Maintenance** from the main menu to open the **Case Maintenance** window (ad04).

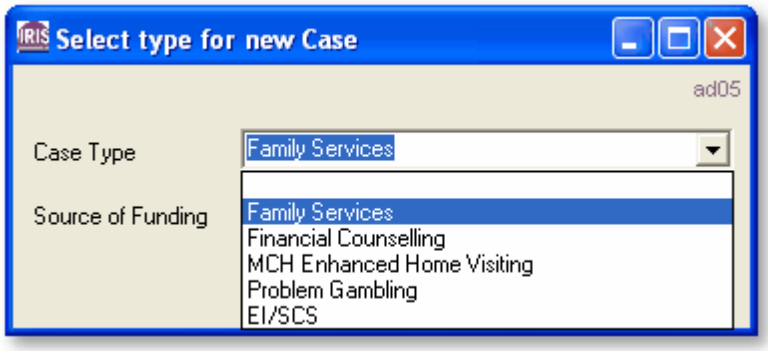
To Add a New Case Type:

1. Click the **New** button.

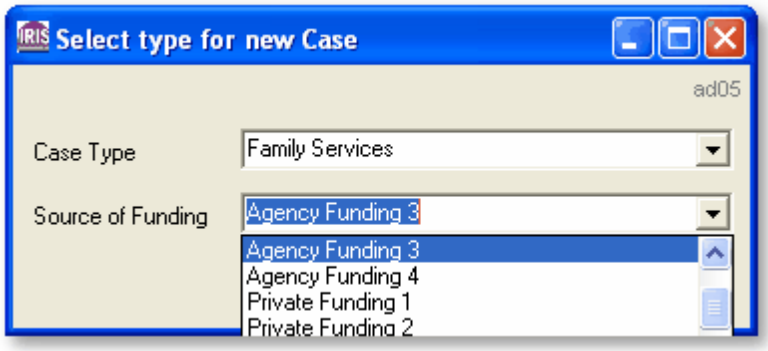
The **Select Type for New Case** dialogue opens:



2. Select a **Case Type** from the drop-down list.



3. Select the **Source of Funding** from the drop-down list:



Note:-
- There are many sources of funding available so that an agency may create their own types independently of the Department of Human Services ones.
- Case type / Source of Funding combinations can only be defined once.

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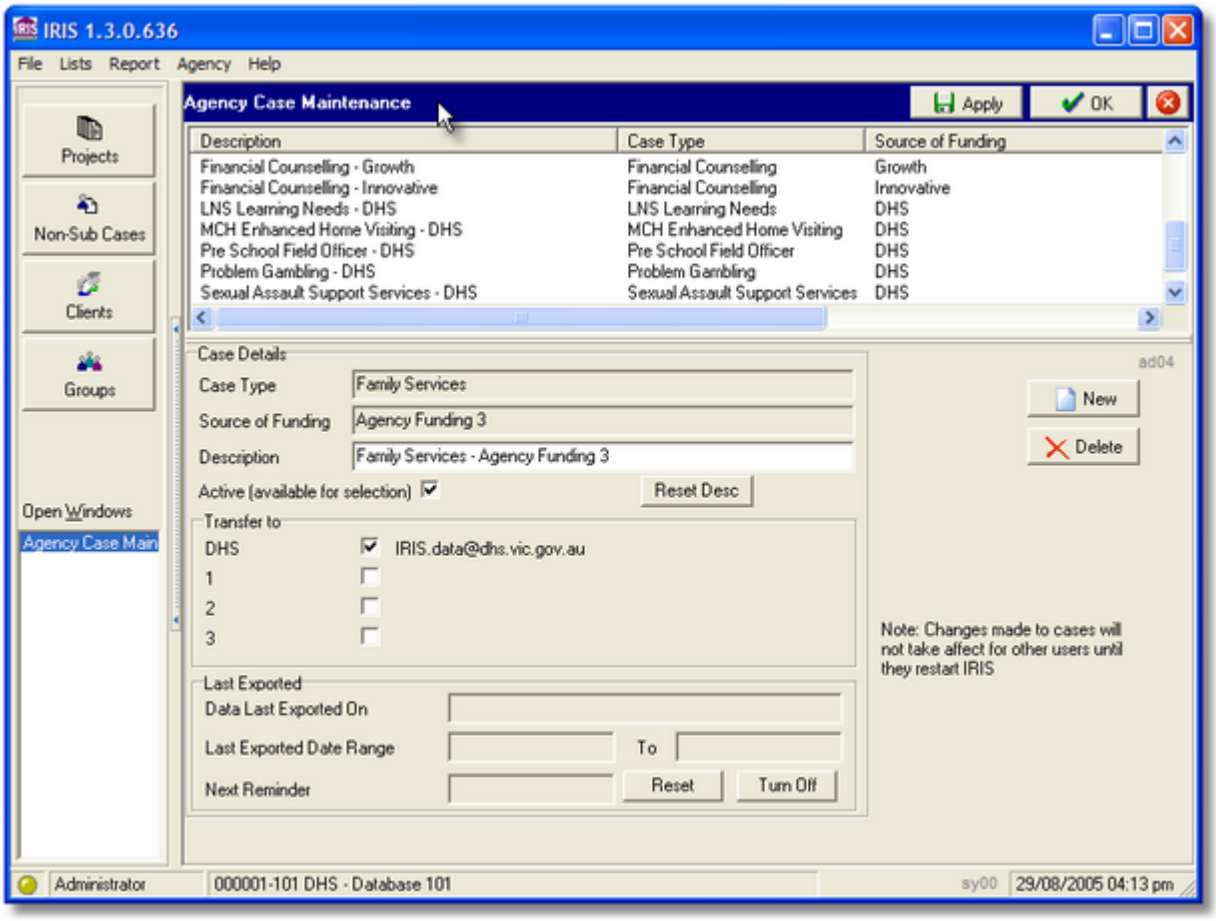
3. Click **OK** to add the new **Case Type** and close the dialogue.

4. Control returns to the previous screen. Complete the remaining details in the lower section of the window.



Description
The default description is a combination of the Case Type and Source of Funding descriptions. You may alter this (eg. to abbreviate) as required.

Active
Uncheck this box to disable this entry for use. It can be set again at any time.

Reset Desc
This button resets the description to the default.

Transfer to
These options determine whether cases of this type are exported to either DHHS or another agency.

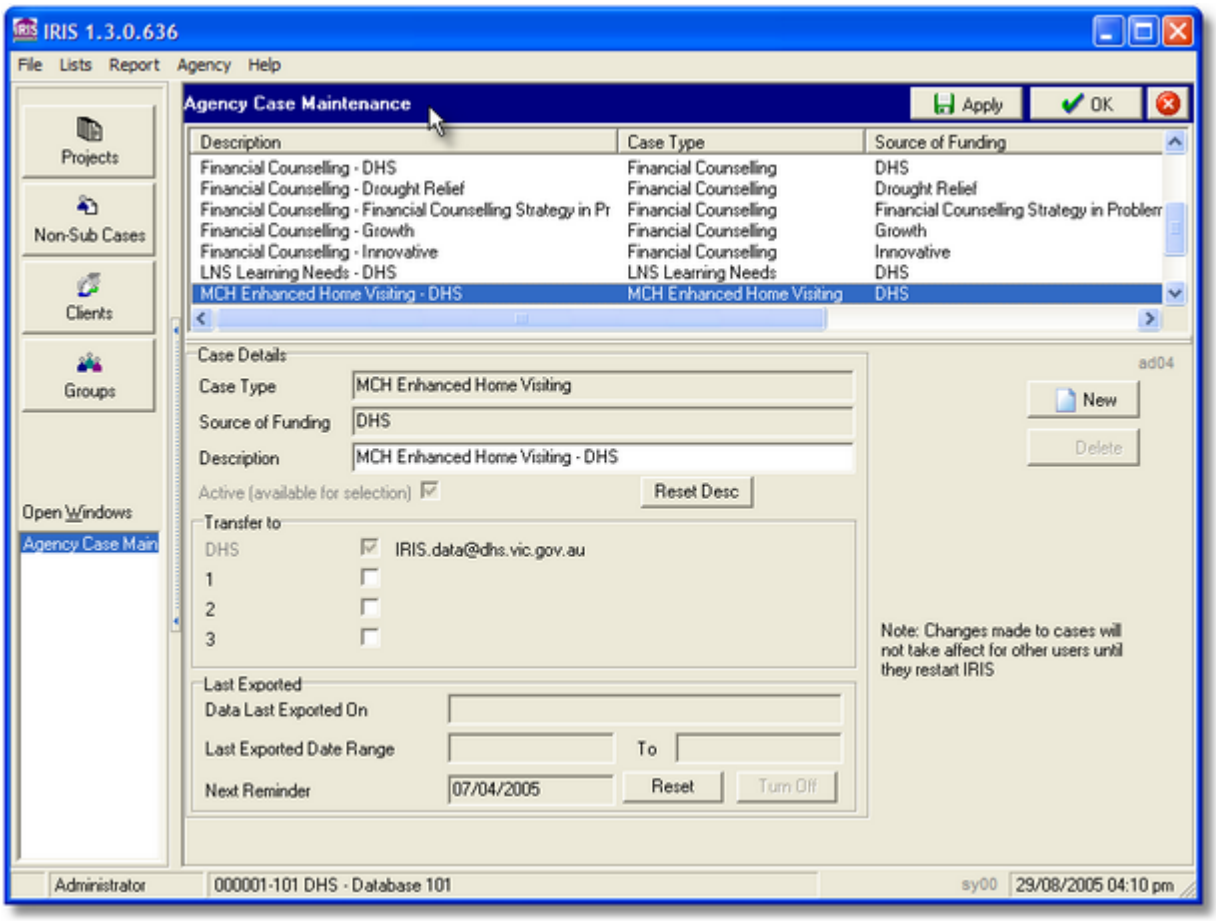
Last Exported
This section is used to monitor what data has been sent and when. Data not exported by the reminder date causes promting to occur at start up. If the case type is DHHS funded then the available options are limited. If the case type is funded by another source then the reminder system can be **turned off.** The **reset** button resets the date to the next quarter.

Related Topics:
- Changing Case Details

- Deleting a Case

3.4.2.2 Changing Case Details

Preparation:
- Select **Agency > Case Maintenance** from the main menu to open the **Case Maintenance** window (ad04):



To change the Details related to a Case:

1. Click the **Case** you want to change in the list. (No Case Details are available until a Case is highlighted.)

2. Change the Details as required.

3. Press the **Apply** button

Related Topics:
- Adding a New Case
- Deleting a Case

3.4.2.3 Deleting a Case

Preparation:
- Select **Agency > Case Maintenance** from the main menu to open the **Case Maintenance** form.

To Delete an existing Case:

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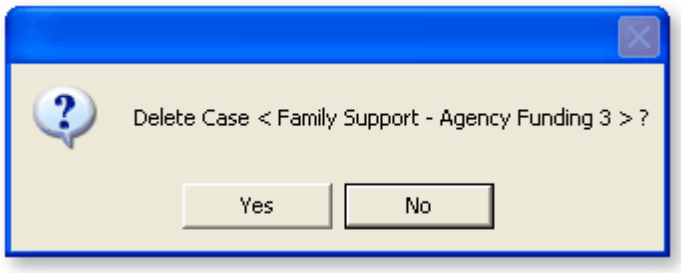
1. Click the Case you want to delete in the list. (the **Delete** button is not enabled until a Case is highlighted.)

2. Click the **Delete** button

3. Respond **Yes** to the confirmation request



Note: You will not be able to delete a case-funding type that was pre-set by DHHS.

Related Topics:
- Adding a New Case Type
- Changing Case Details

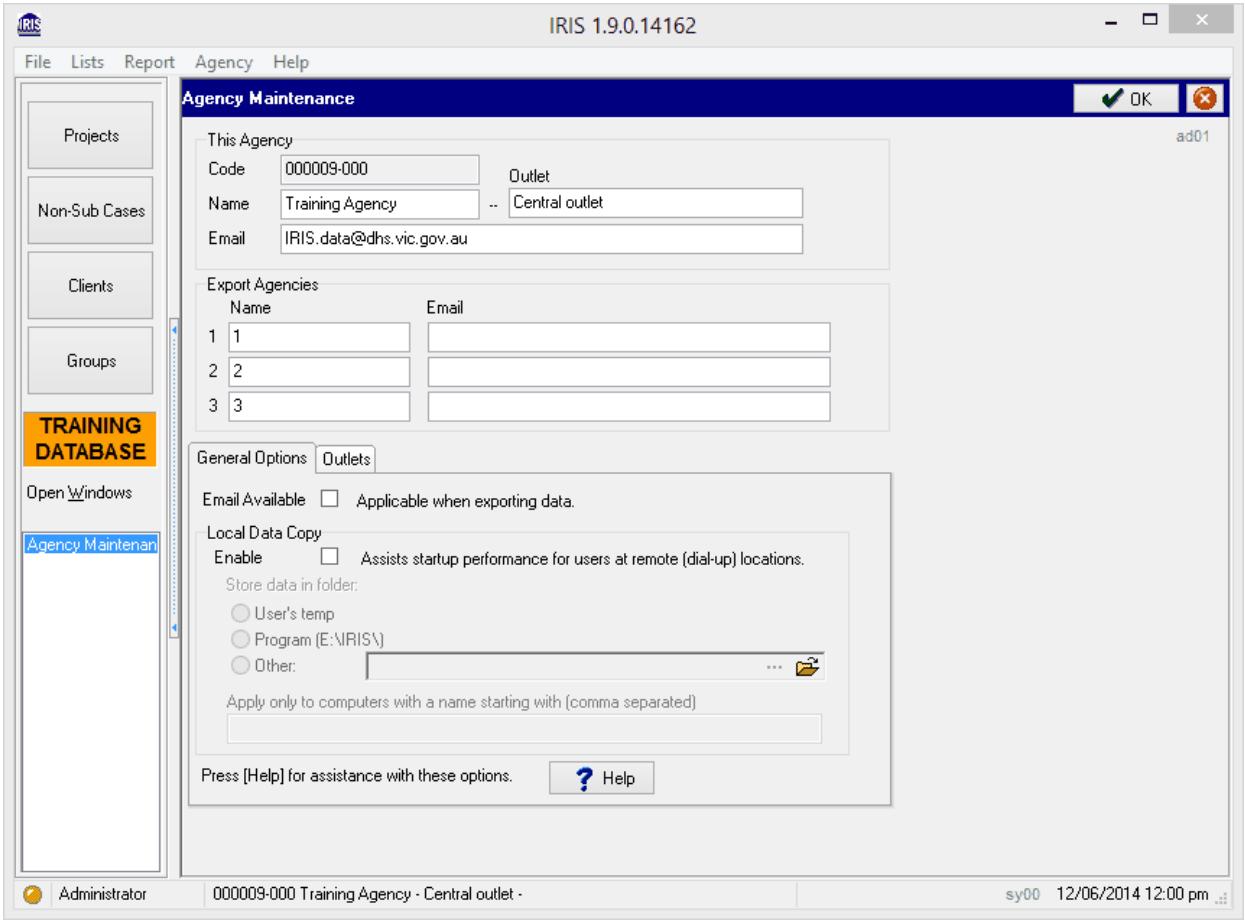
3.4.3 Agency Maintenance

Note: You must be an IRIS Administrator to use this feature.

This screen is used to maintain your agency name, export email addresses, general options and outlets.

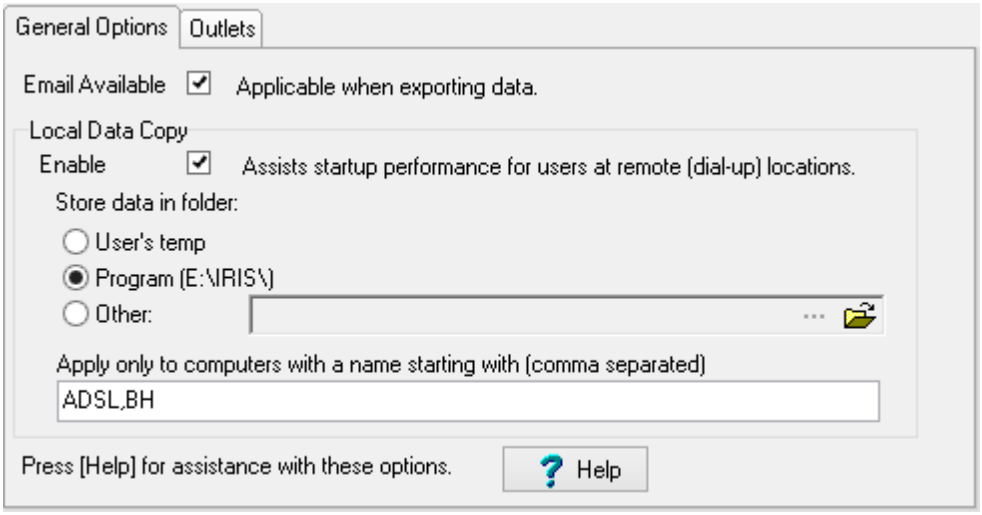
Export Agency names and emails correlate with the checkbox selections on the case details screen (ad04).

Press **OK** to save your changes.



3.4.3.1 General Options

These settings are on the Agency Maintenance screen (ad01) and apply to all users of this database.



Email Available

This option is accessed when data is exported.

- When checked, the user's email program will be launched to create an email with the export files as attachments.
- When unchecked, the files are saved in the export folder, available for manual transfer.

Local Data Copy

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This option is primarily for the benefit of users at remote (dial-up) locations.

Static data, such as the list of suburbs, country codes, etc., is loaded from the database into memory when IRIS starts.

- Checking this option indicates that a local copy of this data should be saved to reduce the delay at startup. Data is retrieved from the central database the first time, and whenever the code lists are updated. A delay is to be expected at this time, but subsequent runs will access the local copy and therefore should be considerably faster. Actual performance will vary depending on the size of the data, transmission speed and frequency of updates.
- Unchecking this option is recommended for systems exclusively on a local area network.

Note: This option is ignored if the database is local to this computer (stand-alone installation).

The local cache file is named in the format *IRISCache_V-R-M.TMP* (eg. IRISCache_1-2-0.TMP) and stored in the folder specified under **Store data in folder**. All users must have write access to this folder.

- **User's temp** - select this option if users normally have a computer to themselves (ie. single Windows login ID). Programs always have write access to this folder and is therefore the safest to use. However, multiple copies of the cache file will be created unnecessarily if multiple Windows login IDs are used.
- **Program** - select this option if users generally share a computer (ie. multiple Windows logins) - and - the IRIS folder is writeable. This is normally safe to use as well.
- **Other** - specify a common (writeable) folder that will be recognised on all computers. Eg. Shared Documents (C:\Documents and Settings\All Users\Documents). If this folder does not exist when IRIS starts, this option will revert to the User's Temp folder. Select this option only if users generally share a computer (ie. multiple Windows logins) - and - security has been applied to the IRIS folder.

Apply only to computers with a name starting with

If you have a mixture of local and remote users, you will want the local cache facility to be active only for the remotely connected computers. By specifying a list of computer names here the local cache will activate on a subset of your network. Enter the starting characters of computers on your WAN, separated by commas.

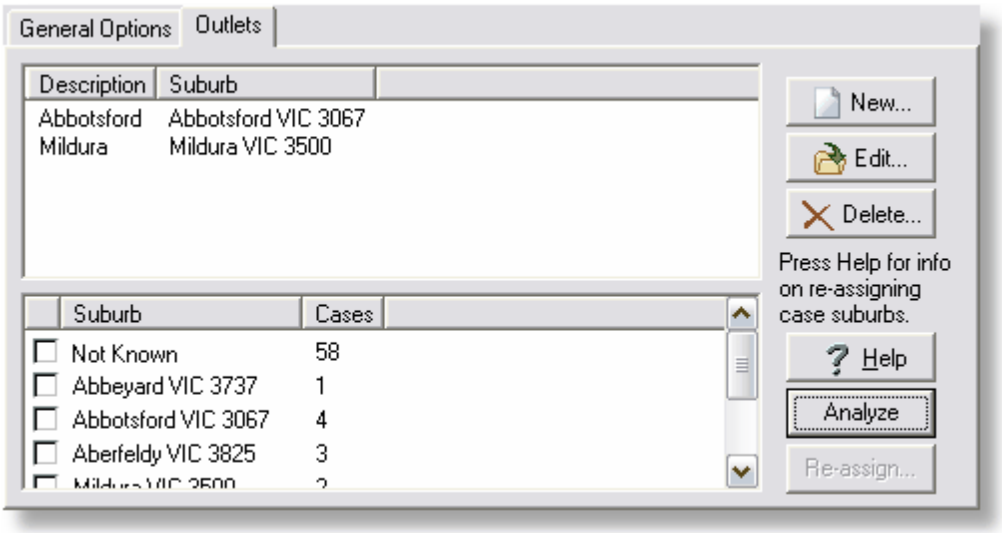
For example, if some computers are located in Broken Hill and Mildura, and they all start with a common prefix (eg. BH001, BH103, ML024, ML051), you would enter **BH,ML** in this field. If this field is left blank, the local cache (if enabled) will apply to all computers.

3.4.3.2 Outlets

These settings are on the Agency Maintenance screen (ad01) and apply to all users of this database.

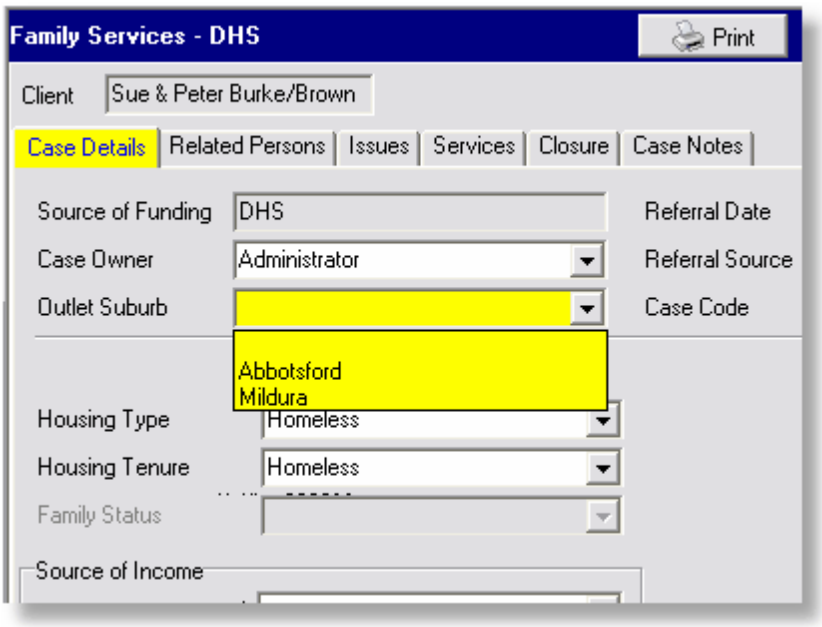
Outlets identify the location where the staff members are operating from. In many agencies, there will be just one outlet. However, particularly in wide area networks, staff may be located in another suburb or country town many kilometres from the central office. A requirement for data entry is to know the outlet location (suburb) applicable for each case.

The *outlet* suburb **is not** the same as the *client suburb* or the *service suburb*.



Entries are added here to determine what selections are available:
- when the user logs on (sy01)
- on the case details screen (ca00)

When the user logs on, they select the outlet representing their current location. This will default to that of the previous session and will be used, by default, when cases are created.



Re-assigning Case Outlets

The outlet suburb is a mandatory field, but may be blank on your existing case records since it was added after the first release of IRIS. Also, in Version 1.1, it was possible to enter any suburb in this field. From Version 1.2 onwards, the selection is restricted to the specified outlets. The [Analyze] and [Re-assign] options allow the administrator to quickly identify all the suburbs used in the case outlet field, and re-assign them to the correct outlet if required. To do this:

⚠ **IMPORTANT:** **Make a backup of your database before proceeding and ensure no other users are logged on. Re-assigning case suburbs cannot be reversed.**

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1. Press [Analyze]. This will retrieve a list of all the suburbs currently referenced in the case outlet field, along with the number of cases.
2. Use this list as a guide to add the required outlets (see the examples below)
3. For suburb entries that require re-assigning to another outlet:
   a) Click the checkbox next to the suburb(s)
   b) Select to highlight the required outlet in the list above.
   c) Press [Re-assign] and confirm when prompted.
4. All cases with the selected suburb will now point to the required outlet. The suburb list should eventually match the outlets.

You can perform a Case Summary Report to assist in identifying where outlets have been specified.

Example 1 - Few suburbs retrieved with heavy bias in numbers. Outlets are Footscray and Heidelberg.

Suburb	Cases
Not Known	45
Footscray VIC 3011	192
Forest Hill VIC 3131	1
Heidelberg VIC 3084	78
Eaglemont VIC 3084	2
West Footscray VIC 3012	3

Analysis: West Footscray belongs with Footscray; Eaglemont is near Heidelberg. Forest Hill probably should have been Footscray (typo). Blank entries are unknown (pre-date IRIS Version 1.1)

Action: In separate steps:
1) Tick West Footscray and Forest Hill; Select Footscray outlet (top list); Press [Re-assign].
2) Tick Eaglemont; Select Heidelberg outlet (top list); Press [Re-assign].
3) The *Not Known* suburb entries could be re-assigned altogether to one of the outlets, but may need manual attention before proceeding.

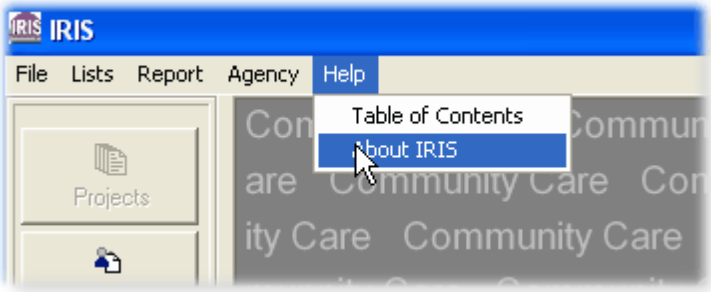
Example 2 - Many suburbs retrieved, with a scattered case count. Outlets are in North Melbourne and Ivanhoe.

Suburb	Cases
Not Known	54
Footscray VIC 3011	6
West Footscray VIC 3012	3
Heidelberg VIC 3084	5
Eaglemont VIC 3084	2
Watsonia VIC 3087	3
Greensborough VIC 3088	7
North Melbourne VIC 3051	8
Fawkner VIC 3006	9

Action: It appears that the client suburb was entered in the case outlet suburb field and so this data does not represent your outlet geography. If you only have one outlet, you can re-assign them all here. Otherwise, *cases will need individual attention*.

3.5 Help Menu

The **Help** menu contains 2 items:



Topics on this menu:

- Table of Contents (this document)
- About IRIS

3.5.1 Contents

Opens the Online Help at the Welcome Topic.

3.5.2 About...

The **Help > About** item displays information about this software (sy02).

About IRIS - Integrated Reports and Information System
IRIS
Integrated Reports & Information System
Program Version 1.7 Rel 0 Build 11137
Database Version 1.7 Rel 0
sy02
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Department of Human Services
OK

The Version Number in the bottom left-hand area is important information to include when reporting a problem to the Help Desk.

Click the **OK** button to close this window.

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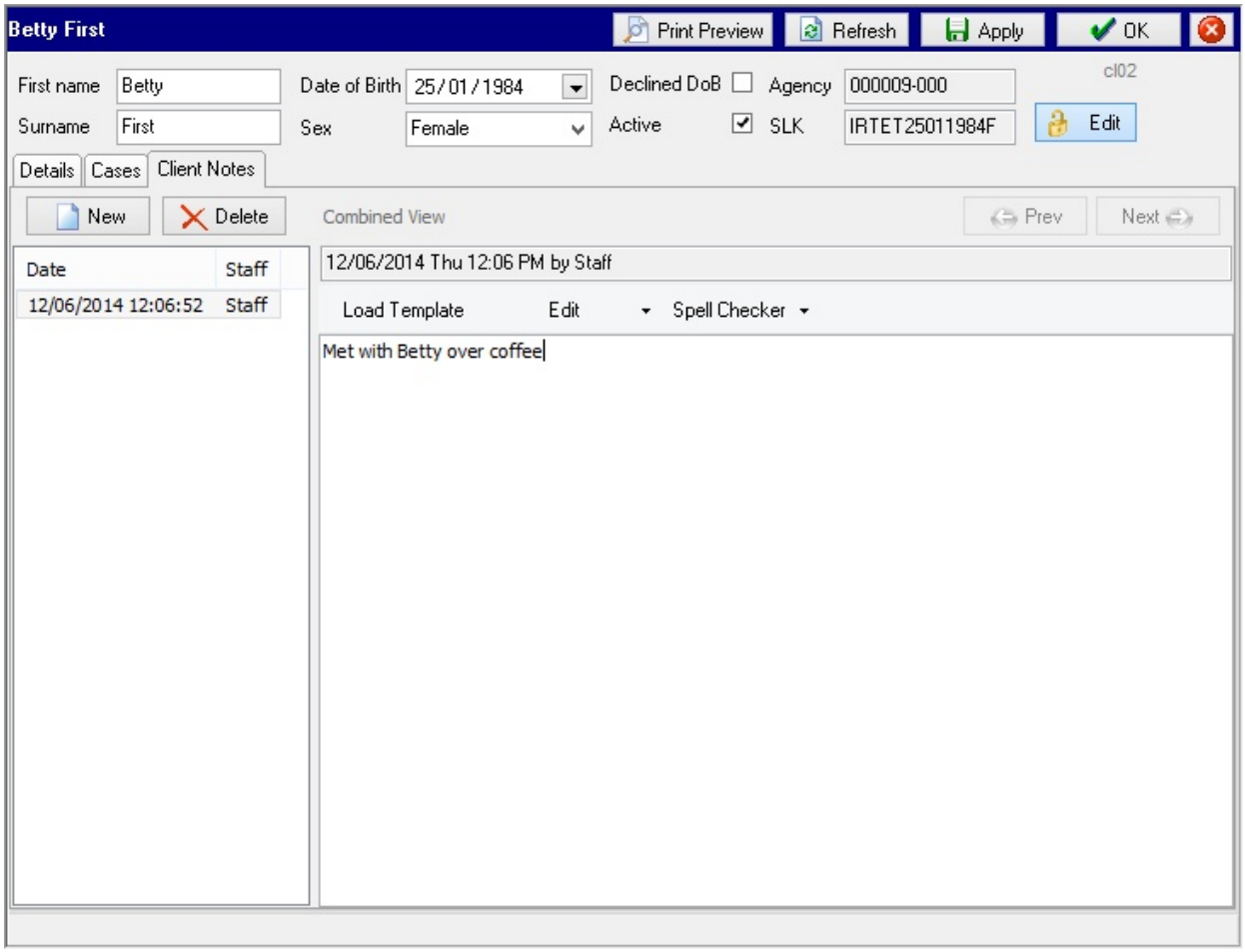
4 Using Notes

IRIS offers many plain text fields for users to store comments or notes as required. Note that some fields, such as the services notes have a set length whilst others are not limited. Several tools to assist in managing any notes stored have been incorporated into IRIS.

⚠ New in Version 1.9: For Clients, Cases, Projects and Activities - Instead of a single note document, individual notes are created and stamped with your User Id and timestamp. All notes are visible to all users, but editing is restricted according to your security level. Eg. A STAFF user is able to edit and delete notes created by other STAFF and DATAENTRY users, but SUPERVISOR notes are readonly.

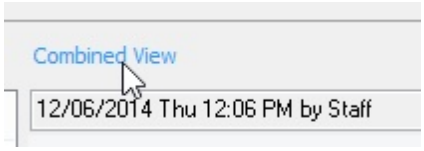


To assist in entering notes, you can Add Timestamps (Related Person and Service data only), Load a Template and enable the Spell Checker.

Use the **Next**

and **Prev**

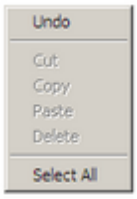
buttons to skip through note entries.

Click the **Combined View** 

to view all notes as a scrollable list.

Notes are stored as plain text and hence do not have embedded formatting. Graphics cannot be stored in notes fields.

The text editor offers the following options:

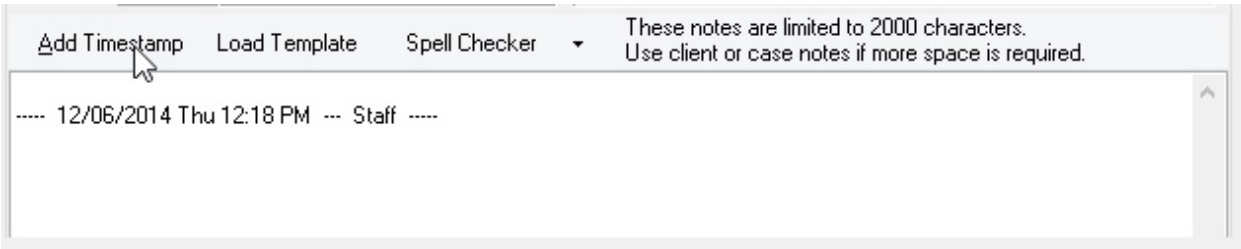


Sometimes accidental deletion of notes can occur when editing text. The Undo option will restore the text to the saved copy.

4.1 Adding Timestamps

Updated in Version 1.9: The timestamp option now only applies to Related Person and Service notes.

Click on the 'Add Timestamp' button. The date, time and your logon ID will appear. You can also begin typing a note by positioning the cursor in the notes panel and just typing.


Add Timestamp
Load Template
Spell Checker
These notes are limited to 2000 characters.
Use client or case notes if more space is required.
----- 12/06/2014 Thu 12:18 PM --- Staff -----

4.2 Templates

Templates are a feature that is provided for notes in IRIS. They can be used to standardize meeting notes etc.

To set up templates on your system:

1) Create a local folder under the IRIS program directory called "IRISTemplates"

and/or

2) Create a shortcut under the IRIS program directory called "IRISTemplates" that points to an alternative location (such as a shared folder on your network)

3) Within either of these two locations, create your templates as plain text (.TXT extension) files.

The filename will be used as the reference in the left hand column.

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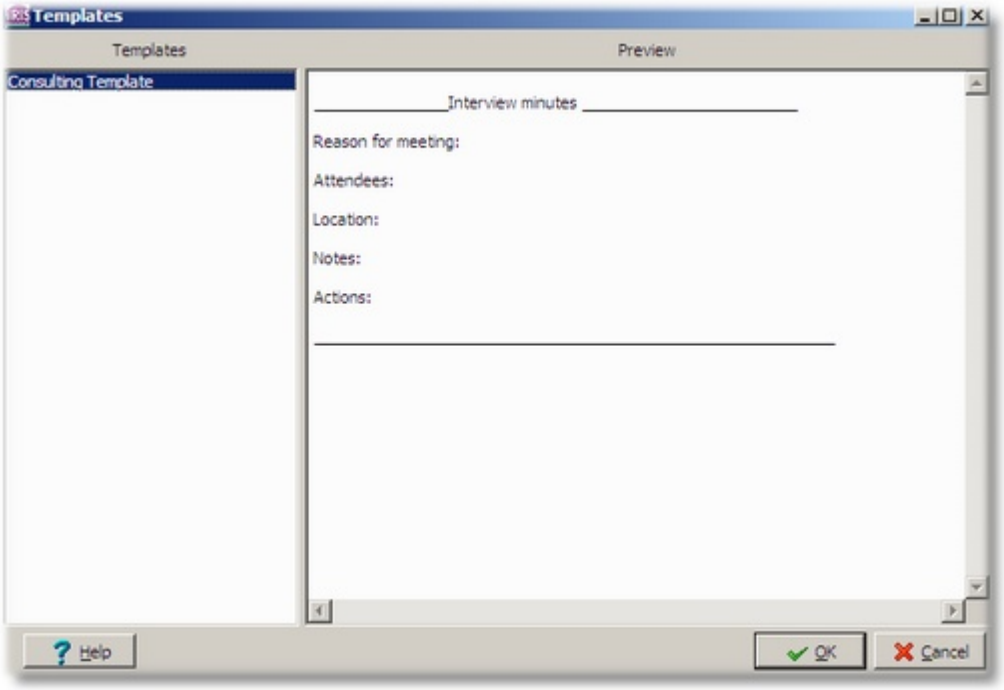
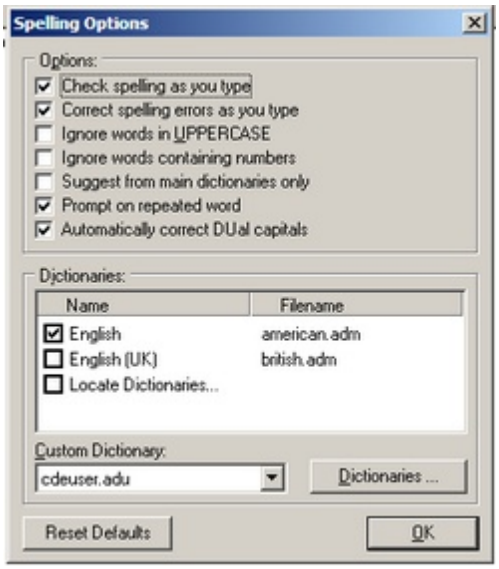


4.3 Spell Checker

A spelling checker has been incorporated into most notes fields and is invoked either automatically or manually as configured by the user. The menu options are shown below.

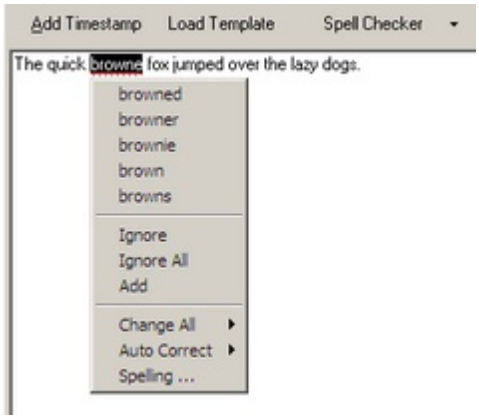
The last menu option is used to set the default properties for the spell checker. The standard dictionaries supplied are for UK or USA and there is a custom dictionary where users may save words not listed in the supplied dictionaries. The dictionaries are located in the 'Dictionaries' folder within the 'IRIS' folder. Note that the IRIS Helpdesk can supply a medical dictionary if required.



The spell checker is configurable to 'Live Spell Check' (checking as you type) or on demand, the latter being activated with the 'Check Spelling' menu option. Spelling errors are

underlined in red as shown below.

To correct the spelling place the mouse over the word and right-click. The following drop-down list of suggestions is displayed.



5 Utilities (Advanced Users)

IRIS is supplied with several utilities that are capable of either running under IRIS or as stand alone executables.

5.1 Configure

Database Platform
The IRIS server as default offers two choices of database platform from which to operate. These are currently Firebird (default) and Microsoft® SQL server. Firebird is a relational database offering many ANSI SQL-92 features that runs on Linux, Windows, and a variety of Unix platforms. Firebird offers excellent concurrency, high performance, and powerful language support for stored procedures and triggers. It has been used in production systems, under a variety of names since 1981.

Firebird is a commercially independent project of C and C++ programmers, technical advisors and supporters developing and enhancing a multi-platform relational database management system based on the source code released by Inprise Corp (now owned by Embarcadero) under the InterBase Public License v.1.0 on 25 July 2000.

The platforms supported include:

- Windows® - all versions including W2K terminal server/ Citrix
- Linux
- AIX
- Solaris – Sparc, x86,
- HPUX
- . Net Server (alpha)

As Firebird is open licensed, development of client components has provided several powerful graphical interfaces to the database for developers to use. If access to the database is desired then you need to contact the IRIS Helpdesk for the passwords.

Note that if you elect to use a different database to that shipped (Firebird) then you may have to obtain a license for that product; ie. MS SQL Server®. If SQL server is required, contact the IRIS Helpdesk who will be able to assist with the installation and provide all the SQL scripts to build the system.

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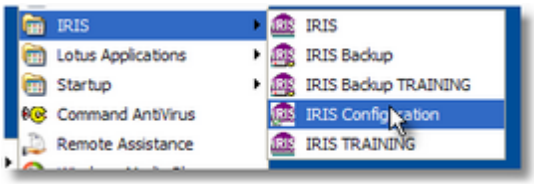
Configuring the Database

When your agency is ready to use the IRIS production copy, contact the IRIS Helpdesk who will send you a setup key to activate the production copy. This key will set the agency code and create the case types that your agency is funded for. If your agency is using more than one production database you will be given a setup key for each database.

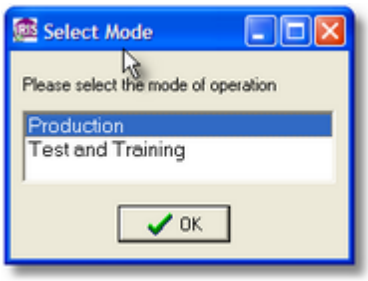
The key(s) will be sent to your agency by email. Copy the key from the email that was provided by the IRIS Helpdesk into the clipboard by highlighting the key and right-click with your mouse and clicking onto 'copy'.

The registration of IRIS for the agency is part of the IRIS configuration process. The 'Production' database is the live version that will be used to manage clients and cases, and will be the database from which the IRIS data will be exported to the DHHS.

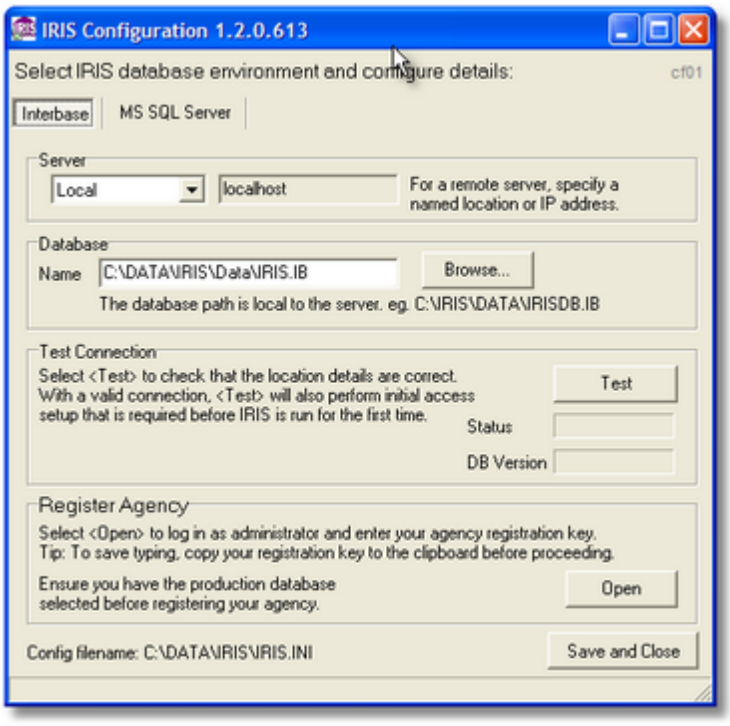
The production database is activated via the IRIS Configuration program as shown below:



Select **Production** in the Select Mode screen and click OK as shown below:



When the IRIS Configuration screen is displayed


IRIS Configuration 1.2.0.613
Select IRIS database environment and configure details:
cf01
Interbase
MS SQL Server
Server
Local
localhost
For a remote server, specify a named location or IP address.
Database
Name
C:\DATA\IRIS\Data\IRIS.IB
Browse...
The database path is local to the server. eg. C:\IRIS\DATA\IRISDB.IB
Test Connection
Select <Test> to check that the location details are correct. With a valid connection, <Test> will also perform initial access setup that is required before IRIS is run for the first time.
Test
Status
DB Version
Register Agency
Select <Open> to log in as administrator and enter your agency registration key.
Tip: To save typing, copy your registration key to the clipboard before proceeding.
Ensure you have the production database selected before registering your agency.
Open
Config filename: C:\DATA\IRIS\IRIS.INI
Save and Close

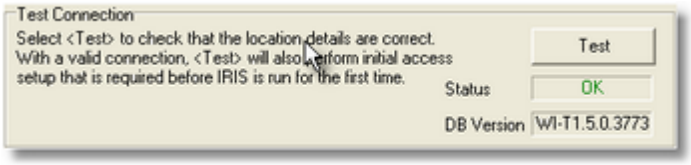
Server

The server panel is used to set the network requirements if any. If the installation is to operate as stand alone then "Local" is selected.

Database

The database panel details where Firebird server will find the database(s). Note that the path must be local to the server and must not use virtual addresses. The default address is "C:\IRIS\Data\IRIS.IB".

Test Connection

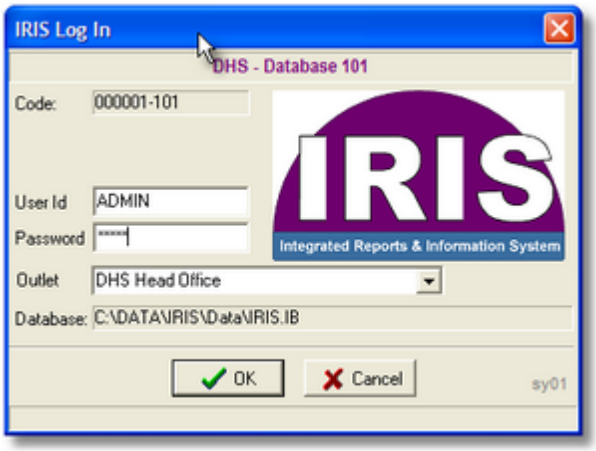

Test Connection
Select <Test> to check that the location details are correct.
With a valid connection, <Test> will also perform initial access setup that is required before IRIS is run for the first time.
Test
Status
OK
DB Version
WI-T1.5.0.3773

The test Connection button will make a test call to Firebird and return an "OK" if the connection could be made.

Registration

Register Agency
Select <Open> to log in as administrator and enter your agency registration key.
Tip: To save typing, copy your registration key to the clipboard before proceeding.
Ensure you have the production database selected before registering your agency.
Open

Click on **Open** in the Register Agency box. The following login page will be displayed.



Click on **OK** and the following screen will be displayed. The key will be automatically loaded from the clipboard. The key information includes the agency number as well as the DHHS funded case types determined previously. If new DHHS funded case types are required then a new key will be issued which will set up the case types automatically.

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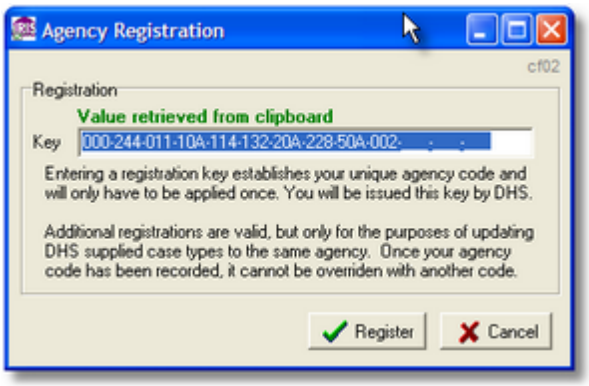
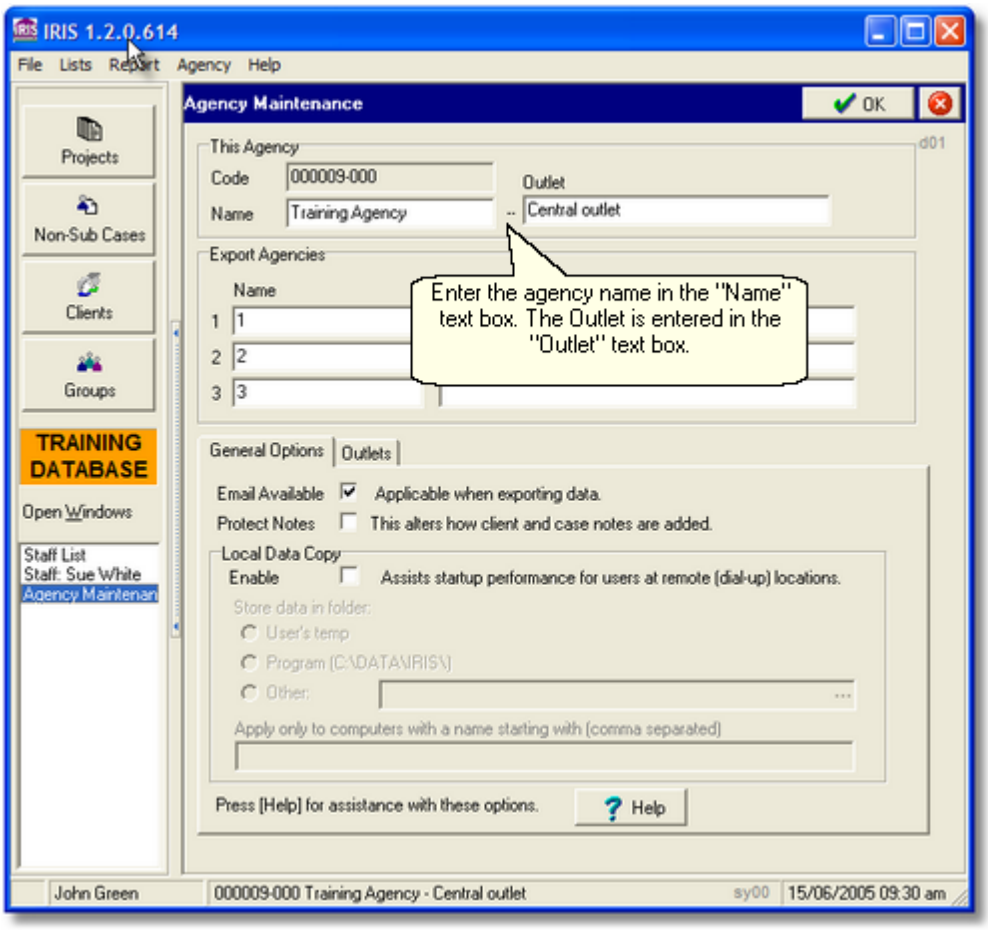

Agency Registration
cf02
Registration
Value retrieved from clipboard
Key
000-244-011-10A-114-132-20A-228-50A-002-
Entering a registration key establishes your unique agency code and will only have to be applied once. You will be issued this key by DHS.
Additional registrations are valid, but only for the purposes of updating DHS supplied case types to the same agency. Once your agency code has been recorded, it cannot be overriden with another code.
Register
Cancel

The register button will finish up the configuration process.

NOTE: You must only ever use one setup key per database.

To complete the setup process you need to enter the agency name. Open the production database by double clicking on the production IRIS icon on the desktop and login as an administrator. Start up the **Agency Maintenance** screen and enter your agency name as shown below.



The "**Export Agencies**" panel is used to enter email addresses for other agencies that you may wish to send data to. Note that the data is deidentified. Export files generated are saved in the IRIS\ExportFiles directory. The export files can be sent manually when the agency is ready to send them.

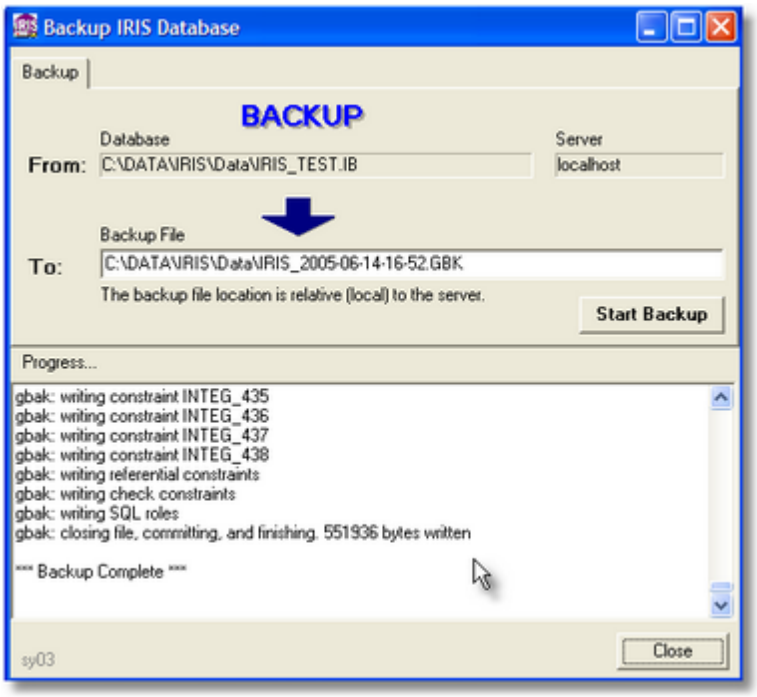
For more information on "**General Options**" see General Options

For more information on "**Outlets**" see Outlets

Click on the **OK** button to save the input and then restart IRIS to refresh the database with the agency and database names that were previously entered.
When the configuration has been completed, please contact the IRIS Helpdesk to confirm that our agency details are correct.

5.2 Backup

Running the **Backup** program (IRISBackup.exe) will show the following screen:



⚠ IMPORTANT: You should either:
a) prior to backup - change the default path (C:\Iris\...) to a folder on a different drive, or preferrably

b) after the backup - copy the backed up (GBK) file to another drive or otherwise save to another medium (eg. burn to CD) and save off site in a secure location.

This ensures that in a worst-case scenario where the computer (or hard disk) on which the main database is stored is damaged (or otherwise becomes inaccessible), you will be able to recover your database from the other location.

Please note that **the backup is performed by the server**, and so the **To** GBK file location is relative to the server. When you are working in a stand-alone environment, your computer also acts as the server, so the location corresponds to your system. This is not the case if you are attached to the server in a network environment. The path will most likely be pointing to the C-Drive (C:\...), even if the server appears to you as a shared drive attached to the server (eg. F:\Data).

With a suitable backup folder specified, click the **Start Backup** button to begin the backup process. This will usually take just a few moments.

Click the **Close** button when done.

This utility can also be used to restore the database from a backup file. To **Restore** a database please call the IRIS Helpdesk.

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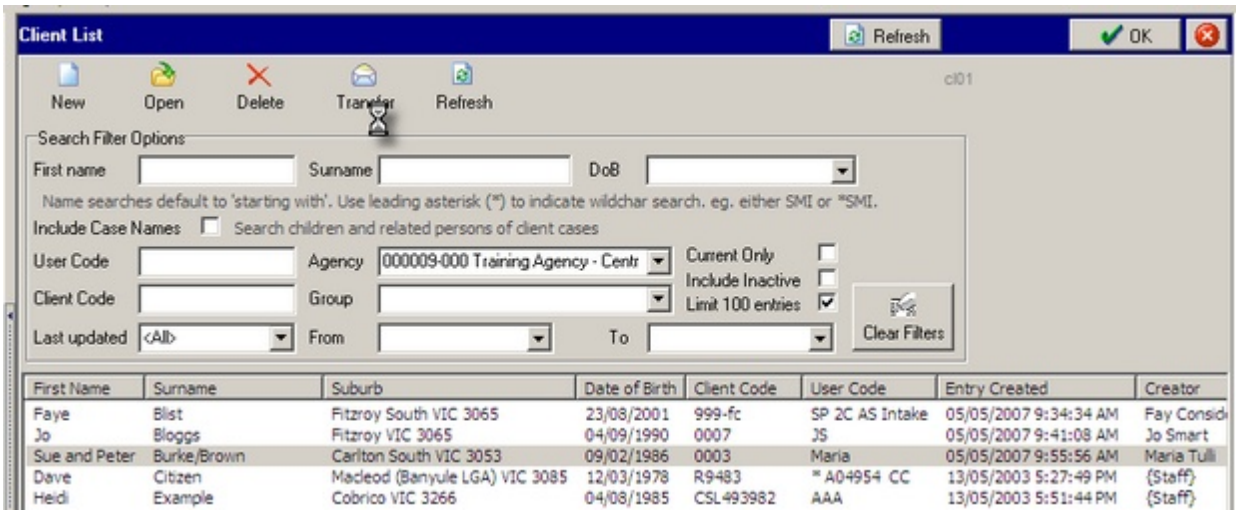
5.3 Client Transfer

Clients , including all notes, may be copied to other IRIS databases using the IRISExportOne program. This program is used for transferring a client to another system as shown below; for example, when a client moves to a new district and they wish to have their IRIS client data transferred to the new agency.

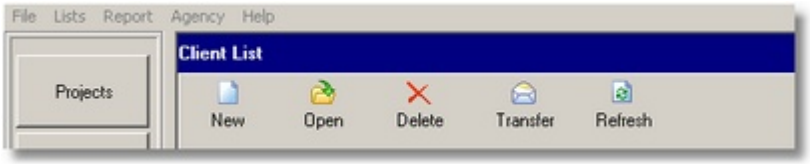
This is done from the Client List screen by selecting the client and clicking on the 'Transfer' button.


Client List
Refresh
OK
New
Open
Delete
Transfer
Refresh
Search Filter Options
First name
Surname
DoB
Name searches default to 'starting with'. Use leading asterisk (*) to indicate wildchar search. eg. either SMI or *SMI.
Include Case Names
Search children and related persons of client cases
User Code
Agency
000009-000 Training Agency - Centr
Current Only
Include Inactive
Limit 100 entries
Client Code
Group
Last updated
<All>
From
To
Clear Filters
First Name
Surname
Suburb
Date of Birth
Client Code
User Code
Entry Created
Creator
Faye Blist Fitzroy South VIC 3065 23/08/2001 999-fc SP 2C AS Intake 05/05/2007 9:34:34 AM Fay Consid
Jo Bloggs Fitzroy VIC 3065 04/09/1990 0007 JS 05/05/2007 9:41:08 AM Jo Smart
Sue and Peter Burke/Brown Carlton South VIC 3053 09/02/1986 0003 Maria 05/05/2007 9:55:56 AM Maria Tulli
Dave Citizen Macleod (Banyule LGA) VIC 3085 12/03/1978 R9483 * A04954 CC 13/05/2003 5:27:49 PM {Staff}
Heidi Example Cobrico VIC 3266 04/08/1985 CSL493982 AAA 13/05/2003 5:51:44 PM {Staff}

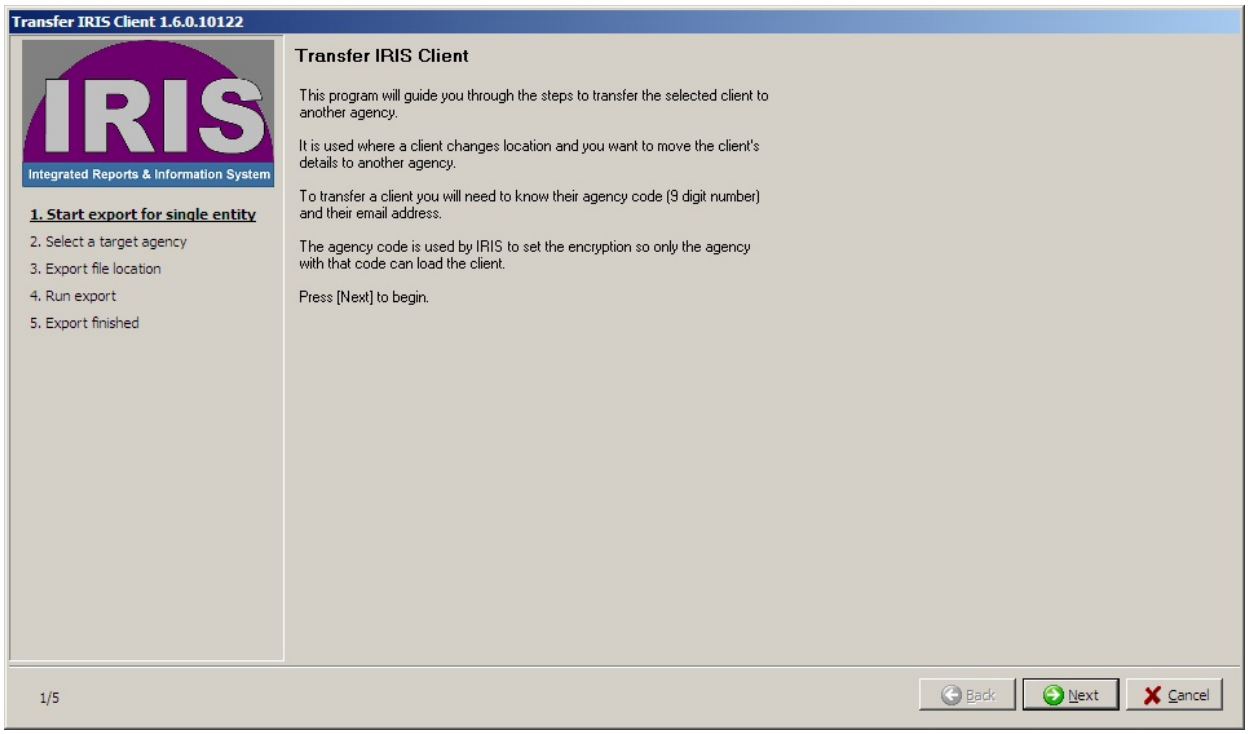
This will start the above process with the exception that the client only will be transferred.

⚠ **Note: The Transfer button must not be used for referrals.**

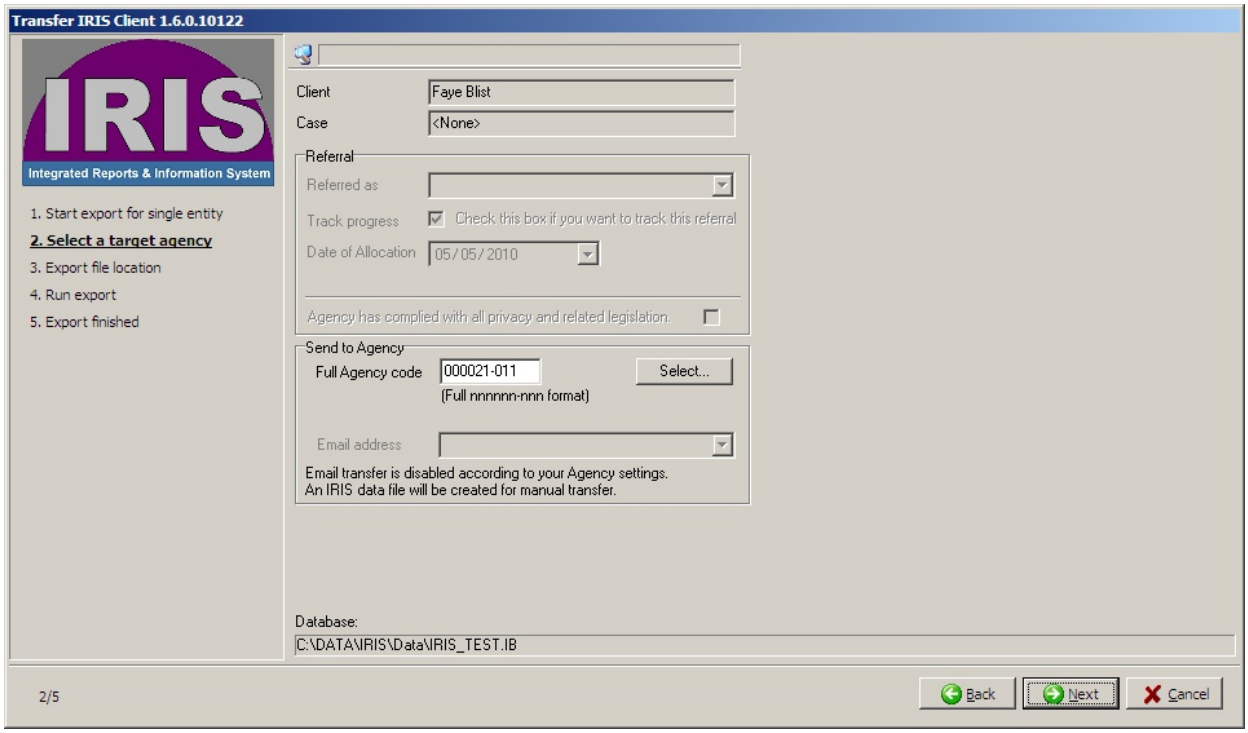
To transfer a client, select the client as shown below. The 'Transfer' button will be active for valid transfers. Click on this button.



The process screens are shown below.


Transfer IRIS Client 1.6.0.10122
IRIS
Integrated Reports & Information System
1. Start export for single entity
2. Select a target agency
3. Export file location
4. Run export
5. Export finished
Transfer IRIS Client
This program will guide you through the steps to transfer the selected client to another agency.
It is used where a client changes location and you want to move the client's details to another agency.
To transfer a client you will need to know their agency code (9 digit number) and their email address.
The agency code is used by IRIS to set the encryption so only the agency with that code can load the client.
Press [Next] to begin.
1/5
Back
Next
Cancel

Enter the agency code of the agency to which the client is being transferred in the "Full Agency code" field. The email address of the person/agency who will receive the file is entered in the "Email address" field. Then click on the Next button.



The next screen is used to locate where a copy of the data file is to be stored.

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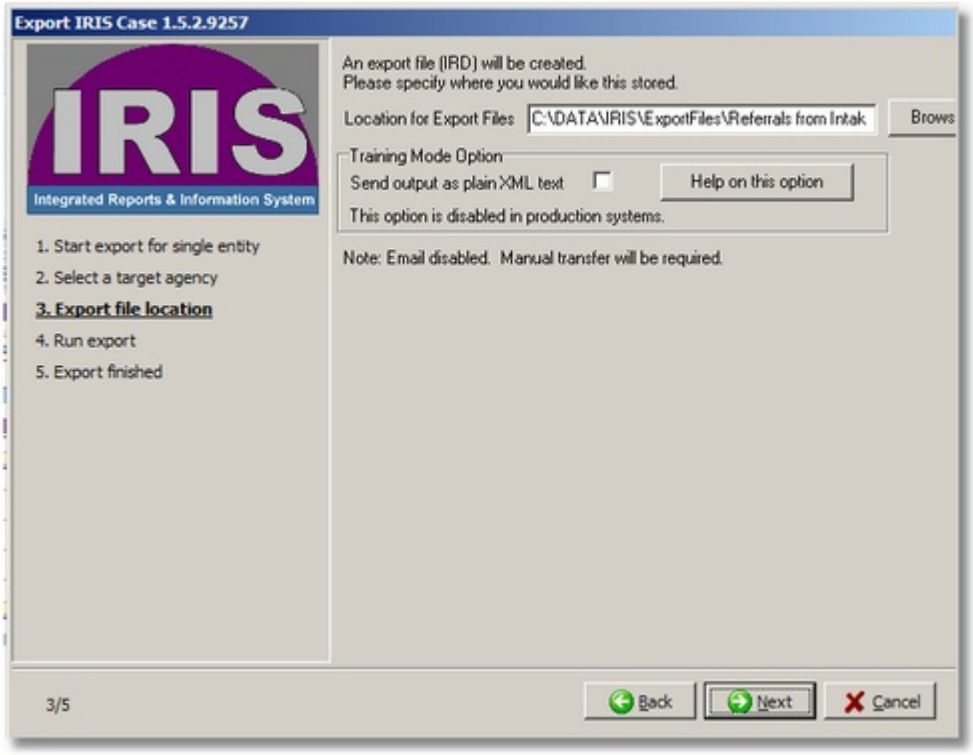


To protect the information enclosed, the data is encrypted and compressed. The encryption is 128 bit with the seed for the encryption key being calculated from the destination agency code. This means that only the agency with an IRIS agency code specified will be able to read the data.

5.4 Deploy

An application, IRISDeploy.exe has been developed for Administrators who want to centralise the deployment of future IRIS upgrades within their organisation.

This utility will not work with old IRIS versions (Build 456 or below). Once all the copies of IRIS in your organisation are upgraded to the latest version, this utility can be used to deploy any future upgrades.

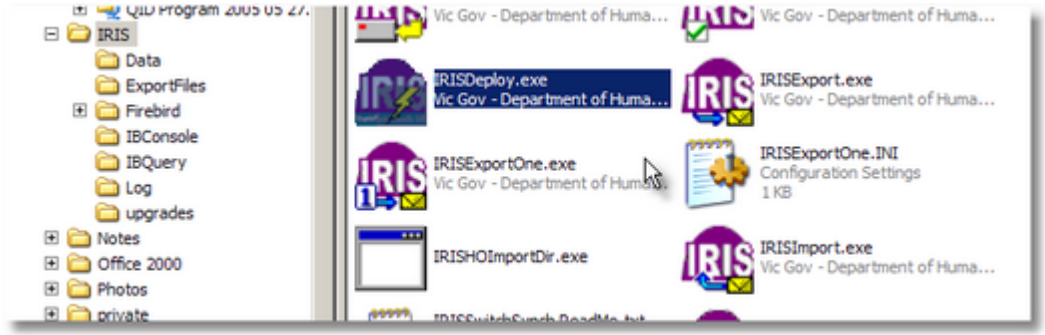
How the Deploy System Works
The Deploy software is used to load a copy of the upgrade software into the IRIS database itself. When a workstation is started it firstly checks its build number against what the database it is connecting to has. If the version is later than the workstation it will receive the upgrade program and automatically run it. (Versions of IRIS later than 456 have this capability to automatically run these upgrades on themselves without user intervention.)

The end result is that any workstation that is not running the current version of IRIS will be upgraded as soon as it connects to the database.

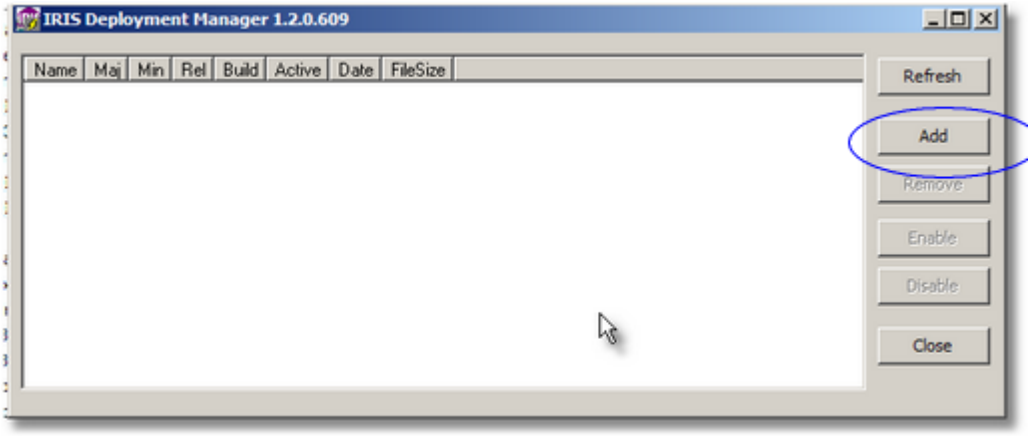
Deploying Updates Automatically

Before you start this process make sure you have the correct IRIS update file handy. Contact the IRIS Helpdesk to confirm this.

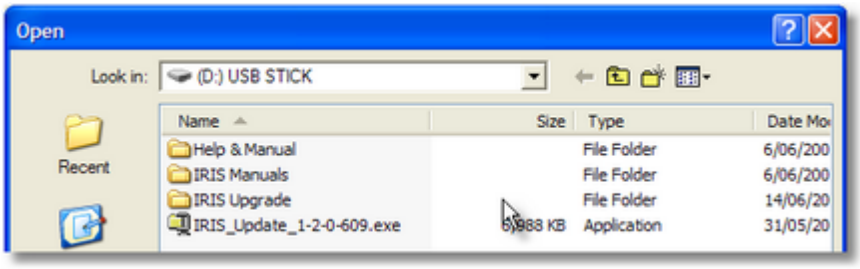
To automate the process of latest IRIS Deployment, locate the IRISDeploy.exe file in your IRIS installation folder of your IRIS Server (or the computer acting as IRIS Server) and start the application by double clicking on it.



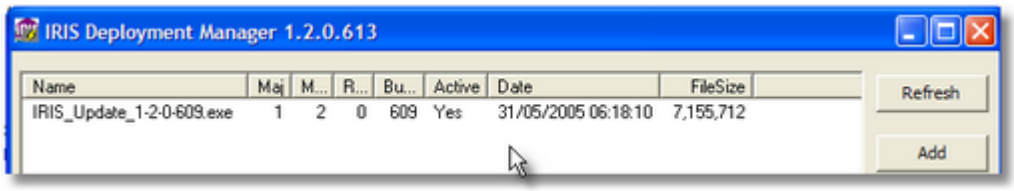
The application will bring up the following screen.



In the file dialog box locate the update file for the latest version. The filename describes the database version as well as the build number of the software.



The filename information is used to describe the software version that is being loaded. When the file is loaded the following file details will be available.



At this stage select the program and click on the "**Enable**" button to activate the upgrade system. In the following example an earlier version was loaded than that currently being used and hence the update cannot be Enabled.

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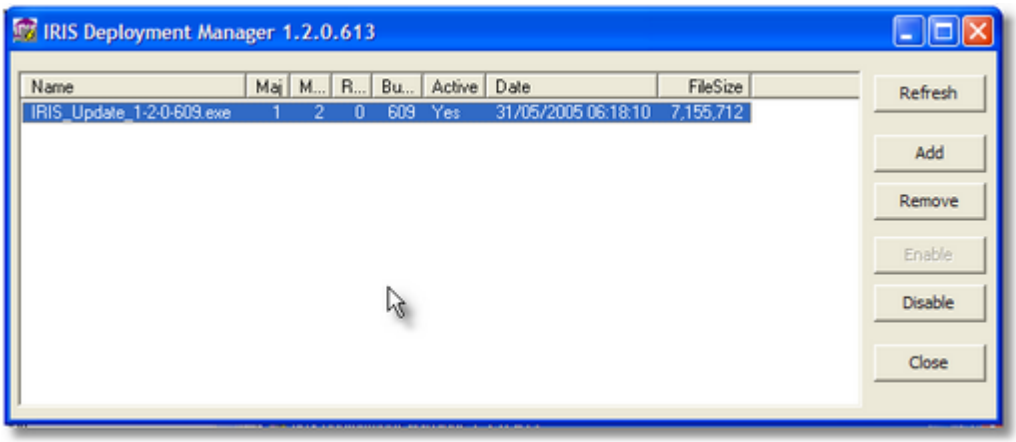

Once the upgrade is loaded into the deployment system the program may be closed.

6 Troubleshooting

Please select a sub-heading at the left to read Troubleshooting topics. If you are having any difficulties with IRIS, the first point of call is the IRIS Helpdesk in your state.

6.1 Log In Problems

My password is not letting me log in.

If you have forgotten your password and/or your User ID, contact your Agency Administrator.

The IRIS password is case sensitive. Check that the caps lock key is off.

6.2 Installation Issues

Use the **IRIS Installation Guide** to help with installing or un-installing the database and/or **IRIS.**

To open the IRIS Installation Guide, click the **Windows Start button**, then move to **Programs > IRIS > Installation Guide**.

This Guide is also available on the **IRIS CD**.

Insert your **IRIS CD**, allow it to AutoPlay, then click the **Installation Guide** button on the opening page.

6.3 Screen Identifiers

This is a list of all of the IRIS screens and report identifiers. These codes should be used when reporting problems to the Help Desk.

Scrn Id	Description
sy00	Main Window
sy01	Login
sy02	About
sy03	Database Update In Progress
sy04	Login for MS SQL Upgrade

ad01	Agency Details
ad02	Staff List
ad03	Staff Details
ad04	Agency Case Maintenance
ad05	Agency Case/Source of Funding Select
ad07	Change Password
cf01	Configuration Main Window
cf02	Configuration Registration
cl01	Client list
cl02	Client details
cl50	Client Report Selection
ca00	Case Details
ca00-1	Case - Case Details (top section)
ca01	Case Details - Family Support
ca02	Case Details - Financial Counselling
ca03	Case Details - Sexual Assault Services
ca04	Case Details - MCH
ca05	Case Details - Problem Gambling
ca06	Case Details - EI/SCS
ca07	Case Details - Family Violence Services
ca08	Case Details - General
ca10	Case Details - LN&SLN
ca11	Case Details - PSFO
ca00-2	Case - Related Persons
ca00-3	Case - Issues
ca00-4	Case - Services
ca00-5	Case - Closure
ca00-6	Case - Notes
ca50	Case Report Selection
ca51	Export Case Report Selection
ca90	Issue Type Selection
ca91	Case Type Selection
ca92	General Text Selection (eg. Child's first name)
ca93	General Code Selection (eg. Relationship Type)
ca94	Case Merge Selection
ca95	Case Close Details
nc01	Non-Substantive Case List
nc50	Non-Sub. Case Report Selection
nt01	Add Note
gp01	Group List
gp02	Group Details
gp03	Add Service to Group Confirmation
pr01	Project List
pr02	Project Details
pr50	Project Report Selection
sv01	Service Details - Family Support
sv02	Service Details - Financial Counselling
sv03	Service Details - Sexual Assault Services
sv04	Service Details - MCH
sv05	Service Details - Problem Gambling

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sv06 Service Details - EI/SCS
sv07 Service Details - Family Violence Services
sv08 Service Details - General
sv09 Service Details - PSFO

sv90 Service Details (Add in Group)
sv91 Service Type Selection (Add in Case)

rp01 Client Summary Report
rp02 Client Details Report
rp03 Client Stats Report

rp11 Case Summary Report
rp12 Case Details Report
rp13 Case Stats Report

rp21 Non-Sub. Case Summary Report
rp23 Non-Sub. Case Stats Report

rp32 Project Details Report

rp42 Group Activity Report

6.4 Frequently Asked Questions

Here is a list of most commonly asked questions regarding errors/problems in IRIS.

Q1. How do I Lock/Disable/Delete a User Account?

Administrators can lock, disable and delete (if there are no records attached to the user). For example, to disable users:

1. Login as Administrator
2. Go to **Agency** menu - **Staff Maintenance**
3. Select the staff member and **Open**
4. Uncheck the "Enabled" check box
5. Click **OK**

Q2. How do I change/reset user password?

To change a user password:

1. Login as the User
2. Click on **File** menu - **Change Password**.
3. Enter the old/existing password in the Current Password text box.
4. Enter a new password (5 – 10 characters) in the New Password text box.
5. Repeat the above password in the Confirm New Password text box.

To reset a user password:

1. Login as Administrator
2. Click **Agency** menu - **Staff Maintenance**
3. Select the Staff member - **Open**
4. Click "Reset Password" button. This will reset the password to "password". The account password will be rest to "password" and the user will be prompted to change the password on next login.

Q3. I have entered my password but I can't use IRIS. Every thing is greyed out?

By default, IRIS locks the account if the user enters the wrong password for the account 3 times in a row. This means, when the user tries to login the 4th time, the Log In dialog box disappears and all the buttons and menus are disabled. To resolve this problem:

1. Login as Administrator
2. Go to **Agency** menu - **Staff Maintenance**
3. Select the staff member and **Open**

4. Check the "Enabled" check box

Q4. What port does the Firebird Server use?

By default the Firebird Server uses port 3050. You might need to amend the firewall (if present) settings to allow Firebird / Port 3050.

Q5. I am getting an error message "An error occurred accessing the server. Please run IRIS Configuration to test your connection"

OR

I am getting an error message "Cannot connect to the password database file"

Possible Cause	Solution
No Connectivity to the server	Check your network cables for unplugged connections and check if the server is up and running
Wrong IP Address for the server	Run **IRIS Configuration** - **Production** and check the IP Address of the server (if the server is using the same IP address).
Wrong name of the Server	Run **IRIS Configuration** - **Production** and check the name of the Server. Replace the name of the server with the correct IP Address of the server to resolve any issues with WINS service.
Firebird Server not running	Check if the Firebird Server is running. With administrator rights open the Administrator Management Tool and check that 'Firebird Server-Default Instance' has started as a service.
Wrong path to the IRIS.IB database	Check the location of the IRIS.IB file in the IRIS Configuration. If IRIS is running in a client Server mode make sure that the address in the IRIS configuration in the Client IRIS installation is LOCAL TO THE SERVER. This means if on the server, IRIS directory is D:\Data\IRIS \IRIS.IB and D:\Data is a mapped network drive X, then on the Client IRIS Configuration, use the path D:\Data\IRIS \IRIS.IB and NOT X:\IRIS… or \\Servername\IRIS\…

Q6. I am running a Novell Server; can I install IRIS on it?

IRIS will NOT work on a NOVELL server because NetWare does not allow services to be created and run.

Q7. Can I use SQL Server instead of Firebird ?

Yes you can. To convert your existing firebird database to SQL format you will have to do the following:-

1. Send your firebird database file to us (Usually located in C:\IRIS\DATA\IRIS.IB).
2. We will convert the file to SQL for you and send a full SQL backup file.
3. Restore the backup file we send on an empty database in your SQL Server.
4. IRIS Supports both SQL Server and Windows Authentication.
   a. If you wish to use SQL Server Authentication then you will have to create a user called 'irisuser' with password 'irisuser' having full rights (db_owner) on IRIS database.
   b. If you wish to use Windows Authentication then you will have to give the user (or group) full rights on IRIS database.
5. Configure IRIS (using the IRISConfig.exe program in IRIS folder) to use SQL Server. Enter the appropriate Server name, database name and select authentication method.
6. Start IRIS. (All done).

Q8.Which platforms and operating systems does IRIS support?

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IRIS supports the following Operating Systems and environments:-
- MS Windows XP, Vista and 7 (32 bit and 64 bit versions).
- MS Windows Server 2000, 2003 and 2008 (32 bit and 64 bit versions).
- Citrix.
- Terminal Server.

The IRIS database can be run on the following DBMS software:-
- Firebird (opensource free software; 1.5.2 version is the default provided with IRIS). No license is required.
- MS SQL Server 2000, 2005, 2008 (requires license from Microsoft).

IRIS is not supported on Mac O/S X and Linux systems although both have been tested to work on OS X v 10.6.4 and Ubuntu v9 using software called 'Wine'. Wine is a translation layer program that emulates Windows on Linux and Mac OS X systems. These options are not recommended for commercial operations.

Q9. How to setup a newer Firebird version(2.0, 2.1 or 2.5) installation with IRIS?

In some circumstances some installations will be running newer versions of the Firebird server. If you wish to run the one Firebird server then follow these steps **after** you have installed your version of Firebird 2.0 or later.

1. Rename the file called gds32.dll (in the folder where the IRIS client executables reside) to oldgds32.dll.
2. In Firebird's bin folder, copy the file fbclient.dll to the above IRIS folder and rename it to gds32.dll. This change needs to be done in every IRIS client folder.
3. Create the user account 'irisuser' in the new Firebird server (2.0 or above versions). The process is slightly different depending on the Windows version:
   a. For Windows XP and earlier versions, go to -> Start -> All Programs-> Accessories-> Left click on the Command Prompt
   b. For Windows 7 and Server versions, go to -> Start -> All Programs-> Accessories-> Right click on the Command Prompt and select the 'Run as administrator' option.
4. Change the directory to the newly installed Firebird's bin folder. (e.g. C:\>cd c:\Program Files\Firebird\bin).
5. Enter the following command and press enter: "gsec –user sysdba –password masterkey"
6. The prompt will change to gsec e.g. GSEC>
7. Type the following command and press enter : "add irisuser –pw irisuser"
8. Type the following command and press enter : "di" -> This will display list of users on the Firebird server. Make sure IRISUSER is in the list.
9. Type quit and press enter to complete the process.
10. Re-configure IRIS to connect to new Server if required.

If you have moved the IRIS database and/or changed the name/IP address of the server on which Firebird runs then you will have to re-configure IRIS.

1. Run IRISConfig.exe from the IRIS folder.
2. In the text box inside the server section put the new server name or IP address.
3. In the database section put the complete path of IRIS database (e.g. c:\IRIS\Data\IRIS.IB)
4. Press Test and the Status should be OK.

Troubleshooting:

If at any stage you are having difficulties call the IRIS Helpdesk and we should be able to assist.

- Firebird by default uses port 3050; make sure it is open through your firewall for inbound TCP connections.
- For a 64 bit Firebird installation, you will have to send us that database so that we can convert it to a 64 bit version for you.

Q10. Error Message "Cannot attach to Services Manager"

If you received the above error message, it means the program is unable to connect to

the server running the IRIS database. The instructions below are required to be done by an authorized person or IT administrator.

1. Check if the Firebird Service is running through the Startup or Services Manager. If not, you are required to start the Firebird Service. Run IRIS Configuration to test the connection.
2. If the Firebird Service is running, you might have to stop and start the Firebird Service. Run IRIS Configuration to test the connection.
3. Through IRISConfig.exe in the IRIS Configuration, change the Server from 'Local' to 'Remote' and then put in the name or IP address of the computer on which Firebird is running (even though it might be the same computer). Press the test button in IRIS Configuration to test the connection.

Q11. How do I access the Nursery Equipment Program in a Maternal & Child Health Enhanced Home Visiting case?

The Nursery Equipment Program can be accessed in any MCH Enhanced Home Visiting case in IRIS. To access this area in IRIS:

1. Search for the client (who is to receive equipment) in the Client List. Highlight the client with your cursor and click the Open button.
2. When the client screen opens, click on the Cases tab and highlight the MCH Enhanced Home Visiting case and click the Open Case button on the right.
3. When the case screen opens, click on the Services tab:-
   - If there is already one service showing in the Services screen, highlight the service and the Service Details will appear underneath.
   - If there is no service showing in the Services screen, click on the New button on the right. Select 'Indirect service – other' from the list in the box. Click OK at the bottom of the box and the Service Details will appear.
4. In the Service Details screen, click on the Nursery Equipment Program button under the Immunization field.
5. In the MCH Nursery Equipment Program screen, follow the steps given in the Nursery Equipment Program Guidelines for Ordering (pages 9 - 10) issued by Department of Education and Early Childhood Development (DEECD). Queries regarding the program can be directed to the MCH team on 1300 791 423.
6. Click OK at the bottom of the screen to return to the Service Details screen. The statement above the Nursery Equipment Program button gives the status of the program for that service.

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